

BUSINESS SPECIALS.
Under this head business notices inserted for ten cents per line. Seven words to the line. 95 cents buys a brandy trimmed 24 inch suit case at J. N. Farrow's.

See Miss Libby's ad for the free offer of an Oxford Panel or a Paris Portrait.
Upright 40 h. p. boiler, fittings complete. Some piping, valves, H. L. Horne. Do not forget that you can get your shoes repaired at Smiley Shoe Store.

Cloaks, capes and suits at half price at S. B. & Z. S. Prince's.

One lot wool wools, sizes 33, 40, 42, were \$1.00 and \$1.25, now \$0.50 at Thomas Smiley's.

For sale, good second-hand sleigh, upholstered, newly painted. U. L. Horne.

New Year Resolutions.

Jan. 1. I'm a wicked man.
2. There are others.
3. I'm not a wicked man.
4. I'm not a wicked man.
5. There's no use of living in the world unless you're in it.
6. I'm in it.

NORWAY AND VICINITY

Norway Grange.

Norway Grange has secured Concert Hall for Pomona Grange on Jan. 5th.

Grange hall as well as Ryerson hall will be used for dining purposes.

If the weather is pleasant it is expected that a very large number of Patrons will be present. Reduced rates will be secured on the G. T. R. R.

In the forenoon the 5th degree will be conferred in full form. The afternoon will be occupied chiefly with literary work.

At the regular meeting of Norway Grange, last Saturday, two candidates were elected to membership.

Changes were made in the by-laws providing for increased pay to the janitor and also for the election of a librarian.

The Grange has lately been incorporated and, under the by-laws adopted, a board of five directors were chosen. They are J. A. Roberts, Master, H. C. Oxward, secretary ex-officio, C. P. Barnes, E. A. Cox and F. E. Wood.

Fred Perry and Mrs. Ella Rowe are to be captains in the proposed literary contest. Each side in addition to the regular Grange work will get up one evening's entertainment to raise money towards paying for a piano.

Mrs. Alice Marston was chosen librarian for 1904.

The installation of officers will take place at the next regular meeting, Jan. 5th, in the afternoon. Worthy lecturer W. O. Perry will provide a short program.

Candidates, waiting for the degrees, will be accommodated as soon as possible after installation of officers.

The following officers were elected:

M. J. A. Roberts, Master.
Wm. O. Perry, Secretary.
C. P. Barnes, Ex-officio.
F. E. Wood, Treasurer.
C. W. F. Cox, Librarian.
L. A. S. - Mrs. Geo. J. Cummings.
Pomona - Mrs. A. W. Whitehouse.
Ceres - Mrs. J. A. Roberts.
Flora - Mrs. W. O. Perry.
Chap. - Mrs. Geo. Horne.

The Reading Club.

The Barton reading club meets with Mrs. G. L. Cummings this Thursday afternoon and are finishing Prescott's Conquest of Mexico.

The Browning club holds their next meeting with Mrs. Alice Woosum, Monday evening, Jan. 4.

J. F. Bolster has been sending a week in Union on business.

Myrtle Gammon has been home from Lynn, Mass., for a couple weeks.

A. T. Bennett has an Eastern telephone at his residence, call 119 4.

Merritt Welch of Sanford was in Norway, Thursday. Mr. Welch was formerly in the dry goods business here.

The Mothers' Club will meet at Mrs. Dr. Barker's, Tuesday, Jan. 5th, at 2:30 p. m. All mothers are cordially invited to be present.

The first rehearsal of the Norway branch of the Maine Festival chorus will be at H. L. Horne's house next Monday evening at 7:30.

Mrs. Robert Patterson and little daughter of Danville, Que., came Wednesday afternoon to join her husband, who is employed at Record's blacksmith shop.

Christmas, the three dolls were awarded at Beck's Bazaar according to the votes received, the winners being Madeline Andrews 1507 votes, Gadsy Edwards 1407, and Ruth Cummings 896.

A wrong impression was given out by the ADVERTISER last week in regard to the settlement of Mrs. Horn's insurance. No movement whatever has been made in reference to it until Tuesday afternoon, when the adjusters were here inquiring into it. No definite steps have been taken toward payment.

Installation of the officers of Lake Assembly, P. S., for the ensuing term will take place on the evening of Jan. 8, at K. of P. hall, with Mrs. F. D. Drake as installing officer. All members are requested to attend. Refreshments will be served. Another social given by the Knights and Sisters is being prepared. Full account in next week's ADVERTISER.

If you want to increase your business you should let the people know about it. Advertise. Yes, advertise—there is more ways than one to do this. Newspaper advertising is good but it should be supplemented with other line of advertising. The Norway ADVERTISER goes into the homes of more than two thousand and five hundred people each week. It is considered to be a fair estimate that five people read each copy, hence the Norway ADVERTISER has some thirteen thousand readers each week.

Bro. Fickett, pastor of the M. E. church, tells us that Mr. Fickett has lived here about Christmas time a dollar bill by mail with the request "to make some little heart glad." The giver of this is unknown. Of course Mrs. Fickett has some curiosity to know who it is and has taken all proper methods to find out and personally thank him or her but has not succeeded. She says the money has been used as directed and it has not only "made some little heart glad but the body warm."

Miss G. L. Gerry, a sister of Mrs. Frank Kimball, died at the home of another sister, Mrs. M. L. McGee, a prominent business woman of Lynn, Mass., with whom she had been for some time, and was buried at Mechanic Falls, Saturday afternoon. She was 87 years of age. The funeral services were at the home of J. A. Gerry and the officiating minister was Rev. Charles R. Tenney of Auburn, who spoke most fittingly. He also sang with great sweetness and beauty Mrs. Gerry's favorite song, "Some Sweet Day." The floral offerings were most beautiful, there being fifteen sets of pieces.

Subscription Rates
2 months, 25 cents.
3 months, 38 cents.
4 months, 50 cents.
6 months, 75 cents.

NUMBER 1.

Gathered About Christmas Tree.

At the Congregational vestry, Thursday evening, there was as large a gathering as is the case usually at the Christmas tree exercises, and the children of the Sunday school with guests passed a most happy evening. Preceding the distribution from the tree this program was presented:

The Origin of the Christmas Tree. Rev. B. S. Rideout.

Prayer. Rev. B. S. Rideout.

Chorus—Oh, Green was the Fir. Herbert Rich.

Recitation—Santa Claus. Howard Chick.

Recitation—What My Kitty Knows. Madeline Andrews.

Chorus—Christmas Night. Madeline Andrews.

Recitation—A Christmas Secret. Howard Chick.

Solo. Mand Pike.

Recitation—A Word for Santa Claus. Jossie Chase.

Chorus—Holly Berries. Jossie Chase.

Recitation—Sing a Song of Santa Claus. Eddie Chick.

Dialogue—Washington for Santa Claus. Howard Chick.

After the presents were distributed at the "psychological moment" H. L. Horne stepped forward and made a brief address, which culminated in the presenting to Rev. B. S. Rideout a purse of \$75 for the object of giving him an excursion to Washington, D. C. Greatly moved at the expression of regard Mr. Rideout, however, responded fittingly.

There was a goodly gathering of the Sunday school pupils at the Methodist church Christmas night, and as is usual they had a most enjoyable evening. There were lots of happy faces, and the sound of laughter and pleasure was cheering to all. There were many appropriate and pleasing presents that were given.

The children of the Sunday school of Christ church, Episcopal, were given a Christmas tree at the home of Mrs. Emma J. Bickford, last Thursday evening. The tree elaborately trimmed and loaded with gifts was set in the diningroom and the other rooms, neatly decorated.

There were about fifty of the guests of whom there were nearly fifty. A chorus sang Christmas carols and the Magnificat, and there were recitations and other music, after which refreshments were served.

About the usual number of young people gathered at the Baptist church, Friday evening, and enjoyed the exercises appropriate to the occasion. There were many fine recitations, good music and a generous quantity of gifts passed to many happy people by way of the tree.

Thursday evening at Concert Hall, the Universalist Sunday school celebrated the night "Fore Christmas" in a manner most appropriate to the occasion and not readily to be forgotten by the children. An excellent supper was served to the young folks, and after the tables were cleared away a suitable program was carried out, followed by the distribution of gifts of which there were a large number and a wide variety.

Christmas Tree and Entertainment.

The Yaggar and Holt schools gave their Christmas entertainment and tree together at the Yaggar schoolhouse on Christmas night. The schoolroom was prettily decorated with green and red and the tree loaded with presents. The following program was carried out:

Song—Christmas Morn. Yaggar.

Recitation—The Last Night. Yaggar.

Recitation—Little John's Christmas. Holt.

Recitation—Bill's in Trouble. Holt.

Recitation—Christmas Eve. Holt.

Recitation—The Tree that Saved the Town. Holt.

Recitation—The Telephone Message. Holt.

Recitation—The Tree of a School Teacher. Holt.

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Norway Municipal Court.

After having been shut down for some time, the wheels of justice were started Saturday morning, having a good grist as a result of unwise celebration of Christmas.

Thursday evening, Eustis Bennett was arrested by officer Hasset for being intoxicated and making a disturbance on Main and Cottage streets. Saturday morning he was arraigned and fined \$5 and costs, which he paid.

Friday night, John Currier, intoxicated and making a disturbance on the street, was arrested and Saturday paid a fine of \$5 and costs.

Saturday, officers Tucker and Bird brought in several prisoners as the result of a raid at Robert Young's at North Paris. The case of Young himself for nuisance was continued for sentence.

Charles E. Brown, for intoxication and disturbance, turned State's evidence and was discharged, on payment of costs. He was discharged because of insufficient proof.

Monday, officer Tucker brought up Lewis H. Holt of South Paris for disturbance of the peace. A fine of \$5 and costs was suspended during good behavior.

William Ray of Lynn came to town, Tuesday, to work. Fearing lest he should not find a liquid supply here, he took the precaution to drink enough to last a while, and landed here in a very unsteady condition. He was finally run in by officer Cross, and Wednesday morning paid his assessment for the privilege, amounting to \$5 and costs.

Union Services, the Week of Prayer.

The several clergymen of Norway village met last Tuesday afternoon and arranged for union services during the week of prayer, which comes next week.

Services will begin at the Universalist church on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The subject will be "The Church of Christ, the one body of believers called of God to win the world to Christ."

Wednesday evening, the services will be held at the Congregational church. The subject will be "The Kingdom of God and the conditions of its triumphant advance."

Thursday evening, services will be held at the Baptist church and the topic will be "The enthronement of Christ on earth the only hope of humanity's highest welfare."

The closing service will be held at the Methodist church on Friday evening and the subject will be "The call to seek the kingdom of God."

These services are for the public. Everybody is invited to attend the meetings. It is the earnest desire of the clergy and the churches to effect every home for good and build up the cause of righteousness. All people who love Norway, their homes and the churches are strongly urged to unite efforts to do all the good possible.

Evangelist H. L. Gale is holding some very successful meetings in Gardiner.

Charles Cragin of class '04 has returned to the medical school at Portland.

Howard W. Crockett of Hallowell spent the past week with his folks in town.

Porter Swift and Leroy Keene have been spending Christmas vacation at home.

G. H. Bennett and family visited in Mechanic Falls, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

George W. Horne and Willard A. Noyes of Lewiston were in town on business, Monday.

Norway's college students and teachers in other places spent Christmas holidays at home.

The total number of NORWAY ADVERTISERS printed last year was 133,390 copies. The average each week was 2,566 copies.

They went into homes of people who are interested in the news of this section.

We doubt if any other local paper in this state has a larger list of paying subscribers.

Frank L. Pike from Bangor spent Christmas, and a few days with his parents, Horace Pike and wife.

Mary M. Bickford returned to Farmington Normal school, Monday, having spent Christmas at home.

Frank E. Bell and wife of Portland have been spending the holiday vacation with James O. Crocker and wife.

"Zeke and Daisy" and a big coterie of fun-makers will be here soon in "The Missouri Girl." Watch for the date.

Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Bartlett and A. J. Stearns and wife spent Christmas with Hon. Joseph F. Stearns in Lovell.

H. R. Charleton, advertising manager, G. T. R., and J. Wesley Swan, official photographer, were in Norway, Sunday.

Mrs. Eli M. Benson, who has been at work in Mechanic Falls for some time has returned to Norway and is employed in the shoe factory.

Isabel Woodbury, who taught last year in the Norway public schools, spent Saturday and Sunday here. She is teaching in Littleton, N. H.

The new sidewalk plow was brought out for the first time, Wednesday morning, and gave fine satisfaction in the 5 inch snow which had come.

George P. Nash of Auburn has engaged to work with his brother, J. W. Nash, in the taxidermist rooms, and commenced, Monday morning.

The annual meeting of the Odd Fellows Graded Mutual Relief Association will be held at Odd Fellows hall, Norway, Monday evening, Jan. 18, at 7:30 o'clock.

Saturday evening, the friends of Mrs. Frank Barker gathered at the home of her parents, Otto Schuener and wife, giving her a surprise. A most pleasant time was enjoyed.

Fred Raymond's famous comedy, "The Missouri Girl," will be the attraction at the Opera House, Jan. 2, and a first-class production in every respect is assured amusement lovers.

Trusting to memory rather than note books caused an error in an item of last week. Dr. B. F. Bragby is to be upon both medical and surgical staffs of the Central Maine General Hospital, Portland.

Norway Home for Aged Women.

This Home was established in September, 1903, in Norway, as an Oxford County institution and has been duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Maine. The shares, owned by Mrs. John L. Horne until recently, have been purchased by the individual owners and deeded to the corporation so that now the Home is free from all incumbrance and promises to be a success and honor to the county. It has already seven inmates, with a kind and efficient matron in charge, which fills it to its present capacity.

There is room both in the buildings and surroundings to make enlargements and additions whenever we have friends to do so, and thereby accommodate many more than at present. Several have been refused admission because of lack of room.

The Home is to be supported by charity and the management have two plans of giving, viz., for individuals to give outright what they feel disposed to at the time, and in this way subject themselves to other calls as circumstances demand, and to become annual subscribers for a certain amount. We are also desirous of starting an endowment fund which will make the Home self supporting. The board of directors appeal to the sympathy and generosity of individuals, and organizations, and to the several towns in Oxford county, and to all who feel interested elsewhere for aid in its maintenance.

In purchasing Mrs. Horne's interest in the Home, the women assumed an indebtedness of several hundred dollars which they wish to liquidate as soon as possible, so we have need of money, provisions and fuel, and we trust that every person who peruses these lines will take this cause home to their hearts and do all in their power to sustain this most worthy object. The contributions of provisions and fuel can be left at the Home and all moneys with Mrs. Cyrus Tucker, who is treasurer.

The Missouri Girl.

The Missouri Girl which comes to the Opera House, Saturday, Jan. 2, promises more genuine hearty laughter than any other comedy yet written. In addition to a strong, interesting plot it contains the most exuberantly funny situations ever conceived by a playwright. The company presenting the play is fully capable of extracting this fun and dealing it out to the public in a most satisfactory manner.

School opens in the Pike's hill house, next Monday.

Arthur G. Hill spent Christmas at his home in Buxton.

The annual supper and meeting of the Universalist parish will be held Thursday evening, Jan. 14th.

Thursday, Dr. George W. Soule and wife of Boston "walked in" on her father, John B. Hazen, giving him a complete surprise. After spending Christmas at the old home they returned, Sunday.

Practically all the apples to be shipped from this station, this season, have gone. Several of the refrigerator cars loaded with apples have gone daily. Bark, pulp and lumber load a fair sized outward train each day.

Woodbury Russell and wife of Noble's Corner have gone to Berlin, N. H., for a time. He is employed for probably four months at setting up machinery in the new paper mill. The children are boarding at Mrs. Cora Wood's.

We are in receipt of an artistic desk calendar from the printing shop of the Currier Publishing Co. of Rochester, N. H. It is a novelty in design and a thing of use for twelve months. It is the good printing done in this office.

Messrs. H. D. Cole and Verne M. Whitman, in preparation of an entertainment to be given sometime the latter part of January. It will comprise music by local talent assisted by Miss Maloney of Westbrook Seminary, instrumental music and readings.

The engagement is announced of Alice I. Frost of Norway and William E. Holmes of South Paris. Miss Frost is a member of the senior class at Bates college and will graduate in June. Mr. Holmes is a graduate of the same college, class of '01, and at present is principal of the high school at Lubec.

"By far the largest holiday business we ever had," said agent George L. Curtis of the Canadian Express Company to the ADVERTISER man. He said that both outward and inward, Wednesday was the largest day since the office was established here, and December was the largest month on record.

The many friends of the Monahan sisters, who left Norway in the fall of 1902, will be sorry to learn of the death of their mother, which occurred in Farmington, Dec. 25, from heart failure, following an attack of acute indigestion. Though not active in society, she was a circle of friends during her several years residence in Norway.

The first Leap Year event to be announced is in preparation, and as is right and proper it is a church social. The unmarried, single and bachelor girls of the Congregational circle will serve the supper at the vestry, Wednesday, Jan. 20, and it will be of such excellence as to please the most unimpeachable of young men. They hope a large number of both young and older will be present.

Some people seem possessed to send us items and notices and not sign their names. They act as though they were ashamed to be known. If this is so we don't want the items or the notices. Never send anything to any one without signing your name. Why not remember it? We consider it an insult, though of course thoughtless on the part of the sender. We want the news and the items but we want you to affix your name to every such item sent to this office.

On Thursday, Dec. 24th, Amos H. Foster did a big day's work, sawing ice for E. E. Witt. Between 9 o'clock a. m. and 4:30 p. m., he sawed 175 cakes of ice 20 inches square by 12 inches thick and pulled them out on the slip and hauled load. Mr. Witt says the ice was sawed in most excellent manner, no splitting or breaking being done. Mr. Foster and his sister Lydia keep house and make a home for their father, who is quite well and smart at 84, one of the oldest citizens in town, if not the oldest.

8 months, \$1.00.
10 months, \$1.25.
12 months, \$1.50.
16 months, \$2.00.
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Knights Templar.

Oxford County association of Knights Templar met at Masonic hall at noon Christmas day and conducted their usual service commemorative of the day. Officers were elected:

E. C. — H. P. Jones.
Gen. — Geo. A. Cole.
C. G. — H. B. Foster.
Rec. — H. D. Smith.
Treas. — Frank Kimball.

A boy to learn the printers' trade is wanted at this office. One from the farm preferred. Some one who is willing to work.

Look at the Wants on page 3. There is a call for a shock maker at North Bethel. A pun is wanted and a helper found. Also a girl wanted to work in this office. These want ads are read. Try it and see for yourself.

SOUTH PARIS.

Odd Fellows' Officers.

At a meeting of Aurora Encampment, I. O. O. F., held Dec. 21, the following officers were elected:

C. P. — Eugene H. Dorr.
H. P. — George B. Crockett.
S. W. — Carl Wason.
J. W. — Sanford M. Brown.
Scribe — Geo. W. Haskell.
Treas. — A. E. Shurtliff.

Mt. Pleasant Rebekah Lodge elected their officers at its regular meeting, last Friday evening:

N. G. — Mrs. Clara M. Howard.
V. G. — Carrie Hall.
S. W. — Hattie M. Leach.
P. S. — Mrs. Sophia Clark.
Treas. — Mrs. Hattie Dean.

Trustees — Mrs. Hannah Wright, Anna Morse, Mrs. Hattie Bonney, F. E. Kimball and Albert E. Dean.

The officers will be installed the first meeting in January.

Eli Swan was home a few days for the holidays.

Samuel Bucknam of North Auburn has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Roselle Edwards.

Mrs. Fred Scott has gone to Freeport to join her husband and will remain most of the winter.

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SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers who belong to any of these organizations to visit meetings when in town.

OXFORD LODGE, F. & A. M. No. 18, meets in Masonic Hall, Friday evening, on or before full moon. George Hazen, W. M.; Howard D. Smith, Secretary.

OXFORD ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, No. 29, meets in Masonic Hall, Wednesday evening, on or before full moon. Frank N. Barker, H. P.; Geo. E. Tubbs, Secretary.

OXFORD LODGE, No. 16, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall every Tuesday evening. Edwin H. Allen, N. G.; Chas. S. Akers, Sec'y.

WILDEY ENCAMPMENT, No. 21, L. O. O. F., meets in their hall the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. George W. Richardson, C. P.; M. L. Kimball, Sec'y.

MR. HOPE REBEKAH LODGE, No. 58, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Friday evenings of each month. Elsie L. Akers, N. G.; Eva M. Kimball, Sec'y.

PENNSYLVANIA LODGE, No. 18, K. of P., meets in their hall, Broadway Block, every Thursday evening. Wallace W. Sheen, C. C.; M. L. Kimball, K. of R. & S.

LAKE ASSEMBLY, No. 35, P. S., meets in Pythian Hall the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. Mabel F. Warren, warden; Ada A. Libby, secretary.

HARVEY RICE LODGE, No. 24, G. A. R., meets at G. A. R. hall, the first Tuesday evening of each month. S. H. Legrow, Commander; Freeland Young, adjutant; S. A. Bennett, Q. M.

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A. S. KIMBALL, M. L. KIMBALL, KIMBALL & SON, Attorneys at Law, Grange Block, Norway, Me.

DR. H. P. JONES, DENTIST, Beal Block, 5th NORWAY, ME.

WILLIAM F. JONES, Attorney at Law, Grange Block, Norway, Me.

A. J. STEARNS, Attorney at Law, Office Over Freehold Howe's Insurance Office, NORWAY, MAINE.

EDWARD E. HASTINGS, Counselor and Attorney at Law, Fryeburg, Oxford County, Maine.

CHARLES C. WARREN, Attorney at Law, Fryeburg, Me. At Liberty House, E. Brownfield, every Thursday

25 Carriages Just arrived this week, 13 different styles. I will sell right. Come and see me if in want of a carriage or harness.

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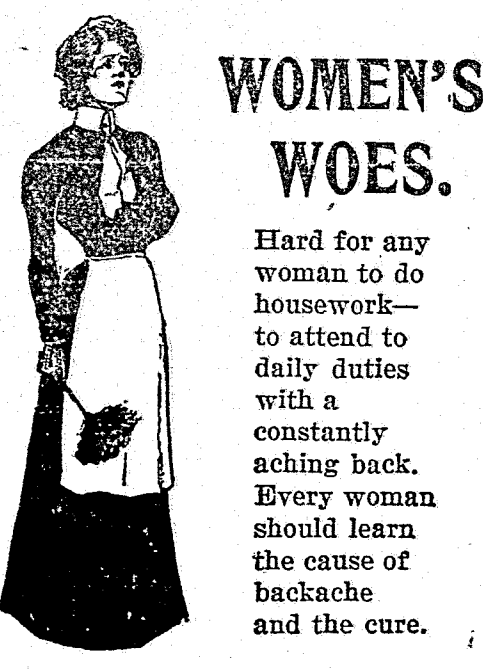
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Doan's Kidney Pills

relieve a bad back and cure it—cure every kidney and bladder disorder, from backache to diabetes.

Mrs. C. F. Goodnow, living at 143 Washington street, New Britain, Conn., says: "I gave a testimonial in December, 1896, touching the merits of Doan's Kidney Pills, and in the statement said that I had been bothered with my back and kidneys for over thirteen years, not constantly, but when I caught cold it generally settled in my back, making it lame and sore. Often the pain through the small of my back was so severe as to make me cry out. I read about Doan's Kidney Pills, and procured some from E. W. Thompson & Co.'s drug store, on Main street. They helped my back immediately, and in a short time relieved me of the trouble. I have taken Doan's Kidney Pills at intervals during the last five years when I felt an attack of backache coming on, and they always brought instant relief. I am never without them in the house."

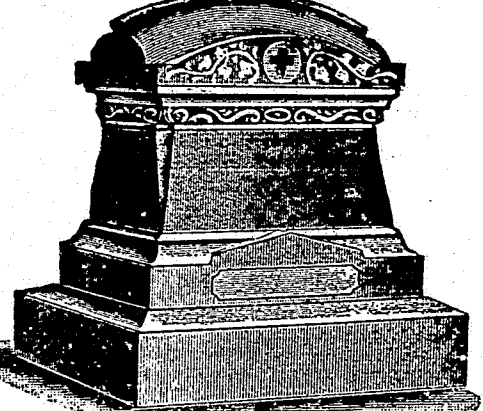
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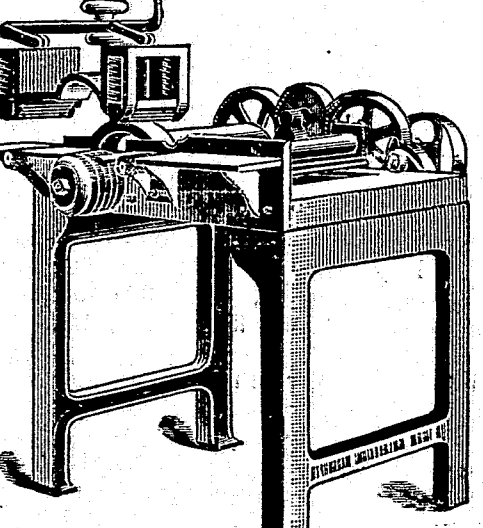
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HARRISON, MAINE. 13th

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NORWAY NATIONAL BANK and get one of their bank checks.

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"PISO'S CURE FOR SCROFULA" Cures where all else fails. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. In time. Sold by druggists.

CONSUMPTION

The Premium Habit.

I know a man who's saving tags, stamps, labels, wrappers, scraps, bottles and trade marks

On tobacco, soap, tea, coffee, pianos and automobiles. And when he gets enough he'll have earned a case, collar button, match box, house and lot, or look on

For it's the ruling passion, the saving habit. And stamps and gaudy wrappers. From bottles, boxes, bags; Yes, everything's got it, well. And I have got it, too. I'm simply so distracted.

I don't know what to do! Gimme your tags and wrappers. Gimme your labels, friends! Gimme your extra trade-marks. Gimme your bottle caps, pray. For I'm going to draw to-morrow on the things I save to-day.

Ten thousand tags will get me a copper headed cane. And twice ten thousand tags an Umbrella for the rain; I'm saving all sort of woe. And I have got it, too. I'm simply so distracted I don't know what to do!

Written for the Advertiser.

A Confession. "There's a glorious home over there." But indeed, I'm not anxious to go. And I wish that I might fly to the air.

For this earth life is dear to my heart. From its joys I am loath to depart. I'm in it, I'm in it, I'm in it. For regions above, or below. There are friends, who would grieve for me

sore. I'm puzzled to tell you just why. But in kindness of heart I deplore. To cause them a tear or a sigh. To spare them all sorrow and woe, I am willing my dear friends should go before me to regions below.

For indeed, I'm not selfish, not I. Then chide me not harshly I pray. For I know if the truth you would tell, You are feeling as I dare to say. You deny it? Perhaps you do well. As for me I'm determined to stay And enjoy worldly joys while I may. Though forever it be and a day. And I'll make my own heaven or hell.

CORA M. W. GREENLEAF.

A Puzzle in Himself. Hello! There is a Simon pure Yankee still alive.

Many have thought this breed of world makers extinct, but they were mistaken. Still it can be traced in extantation. Col. Early of Paducah, Ky.,—with other Southern gentlemen of quality—has long insisted that all Yankees have been killed and buried.

The colonel was probably laboring under the geography of birth and a bottle of Old Crow.

Wellington Eastman of East Sumner, Me., is the new discovery. It is he who is the live one.

He runs a Puzzle Factory. Mr. Eastman runs a puzzle factory. He dreams puzzles, just as a vaudeville actor dreams salaries, and this is what the Puzzle Maker of East Sumner has to say in his latest prospectus, which has just reached town:

I am a live Yankee. That goes both ways and takes in South Canada and New York. I was a born Yankee, and was raised on a farm.

The first qualification for Yankee-ship, Colonel Early says. I have taught school.

"Every Old President has done that," splutters the Colonel.

I worked at the printer's trade for years, and for fifteen years I have been postmaster.

If you're a "live one," Mr. Eastman, you ought to own Maine by this time.

For over thirty years I have been a justice of the peace.

The Mystery Is Explained. Ah, that's where Colonel Early must have got the idea that you were asleep in the tall grass.

I have been at the head of a corporation doing business in every State in the Union.

This is rather indefinite. Corporations are pesky critters, and there's many kinds.

I can turn my hand to any old thing. I am superlatively modest. I am an expert on puzzles.

While it is not our purpose to issue with you, Mr. Eastman, we beg to advise that if a "live one" begins to turn in hand to any old thing in little time he is bound to get into a tight place.

Old New York, he is sure, sooner or later, to run a tight finish with a live policeman, Yankee or otherwise. We admit, however, that we know nothing about the state of affairs at Sumner, Me.

It is Easily Accounted For. As to the proposition about your modesty, the fact that you are a live Yankee seems to let you out.

Finally, we find, sir, in this little green booklet you so kindly sent us with the query:

"Are you looking for a live Yank to run your puzzle department, that you have put different values on your puzzles? The boss puzzle seems to be quoted on the curb at \$3 a week."

Col. Early assures us that the only puzzle in the world worth so much money is the puzzle as to how to get the \$3.

He doesn't see how there is anything in buying another guess to help you find out what you don't know. If you do not care for this last one, he puts it away.

"Why should a man who is always puzzled as to where he's going to get his next drink pay \$3 to puzzle over another man's puzzle—perhaps on the same question?"

Here Is Something Cheap. Plan D, according to the booklet, deals in what you call a "carefully arranged puzzle on the duplicate plan at \$1 a week."

We like this. It looks good to us. We are for it—hook, bait and sinker. In the meantime, will you listen to a counter-proposition?

Here it is: Don't send us any more of these green books. We have woe enough of our own.—[N. Y. Telegraph.]

Scrofula the Cause. Eczema, catarrh, hip-disease, white swelling, and even consumption have their origin in scrofulous conditions. With the slightest taint of scrofula in the blood, there is no safety. The remedy for this disease in all its forms is Hood's Sarsaparilla, which goes to the root of the trouble and expels all impurities and disease germs from the blood.

The best family cathartic is Hood's Pills. Petition filed in bankruptcy: Clark Huston, Mexico, blacksmith; owes \$2510, assets, \$544; attorney, A. E. Herick, Bethel.

"Incorrigible dislocation" is Grover Cleveland's latest. He applies it to the trouble between capital and labor. The portly ex-President has coined a good many expressive phrases, first and last.

Dairy Interests.

At the annual fall meeting of the patrons of the Waterford Creamery at South Waterford, W. E. Hamlin, manager, most of the four hundred people invited were present.

The meeting was opened by Mr. Hamlin, who welcomed the people in cordial and felicitous words of greeting, in which he put everyone at ease by the assurance that the meeting would be as informal as possible consistent with its purpose, and that every opportunity would be afforded for mutual discussion and instruction. Said he: "Privilege and opportunity are now here given to learn from each other regarding matters of practical and vital interest in the dairy business. Many of us are not too old to learn something, but if any one does feel that he knows it all, he will have an excellent opportunity of teaching those of us less favored. And remember, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Mr. Hamlin expressed the regret of the meeting on account of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Gilman, State Agricultural Commissioner, and proposed a mitigating of their disappointment by a more frequent utilization of the State Dairy Instructor. He then submitted a summary report of the yearly business of the creamery, to the general satisfaction and gratification of the patrons.

For the year ending Sept. 30, the total amount of butter made and sold was 173,494 pounds, equal to 86½ tons, or about 147,480 pounds of butter fat. Total paid to patrons, \$35,330.49. Expense of operating, including cost of manufacture and all incidental expenses, \$7049, or about 4 cents per pound. Cost of cream collection about 1½ cents per pound. The average price received for butter, 24 cents, ranging in monthly prices from 21 cents in July to 27 cents in January.

C. S. Thompson, State Dairy Instructor, was then introduced and in a very practical, lucid and well-received address pointed out the benefits to be gained directly and indirectly, from painstaking care and scrupulous cleanliness in the production of cream and butter. Mr. Thompson's presence and works made most favorable impression and added materially to the profit of the meeting.

Mutual discussion now became general, manifesting the deep interest of the farmers in the creamery industry, and their freedom to confer with one another and with the manager and State instructor in this public manner. Many questions were asked and answered relative to the care of cream and of separators, the opinion prevailing that cream should be cooled immediately after separation and kept at a temperature not exceeding 35 degrees, and that the separator should be thoroughly cleaned after each operation. A practical exhibition was given of the methods of making tests in use in the Waterford Creamery. Mr. Hamlin uses the scales attached in his tests and is firm in his opinion that weighing is the best method of measuring, being the fairest method because the more accurate. Cream testing a high per cent is lighter than cream yielding a low per cent, consequently if the samples used be measured instead of weighed, there will be less weight in the high test cream, and so the result will be a lower test. The same sample would yield if weighed. The patron, therefore, furnishing the high test cream would lose in the price paid him. The use of the scales overcome any such error. So, too, high test cream being thicker than low test cream a greater quantity adheres to the sides of the pipette when emptied, thus lessening the quantity to be used in the test, and so again lowering the result.

For these and other reasons the Waterford Creamery uses the weight.

In the afternoon Mr. Hamlin gave an address on the necessity for, and purpose of the "Maine Creamerymen's Association," which he is president. He said in substance that Mrs. Varney, daughter and granddaughter are staying with him this winter.

Alonso Libby lost his horse the 20th; cause of death unknown.

R. Libby and son have finished their wood job for A. F. Mason.

Ed. Harriman is making his home at John P. Wilson's this winter.

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Fifty Years Wed.

Christmas Day there was a very interesting event at East Hebron, when Mr. and Mrs. Dudley M. Needham celebrated their golden wedding, but with the honored presence of the venerable mother of Mrs. Needham, Mrs. Ruth Buck, who, at 94, is now sick at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Fairbanks, at Locke's Mills.

Five generations are now living—Mrs. Buck, widow of Stephen Buck, as has been said, now 94; her daughter, Mrs. D. M. Needham, now 68; her granddaughter, Mrs. F. C. Cushman; her great-grandson, G. W. Cushman; and her great-great-granddaughter, Arela Cushman, now 2.

Mrs. Buck, who had hoped to be present at the golden wedding anniversary of her daughter, Mrs. Needham, was until last week in remarkably good health, but is now confined to her room and it is hoped she will soon recover.

She has led a very active life, and even in extreme old age has kept busy, her latest avocation being the making of quilts for her family. Up to the last heard from her, prior to her taking her bed, she read without glasses, and showed all her former interest in passing events. With unclouded mind and with a remarkable degree of health, she still enjoys life.

Mr. Needham was in early life a farmer, but for years has been engaged in business, and is now at a general grocery and grain dealer.

He was for some years in business in Portland, for five years at Mechanic Falls, and from the removal to his present place of residence, where he is still actively engaged in business.

Mr. and Mrs. Needham received their friends, and especially their immediate family at their very pleasant home. They have four children: Geo. F. Needham, who is associated with his father in business; Mrs. F. C. Cushman and Mrs. M. B. Alley of Portland; and Mrs. D. Barrett of Gorham, N. H. They have nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Fairbanks, a sister of Mrs. Needham, was unable to leave Locke's Mills on account of the sudden sickness of their mother, Mrs. Buck, but friends gathered with the family and there was an informal and very pleasant entertainment and musical program.

Many of those present took part in the entertainment. Mrs. Barrett read selections and Bessie Barrett, a grandchild, gave recitations. Mr. and Mrs. Needham received many valuable presents from the members of their family and friends.

They are a representative New England couple and bid fair to live for many years. They come of a family noted for living to a good old age, and it goes almost without the saying that they have to the highest degree the respect of their neighbors and of a large circle of friends.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Needham residing outside of Hebron went to the family homestead in time to spend Christmas with the family and remained there until the latest possible hour Saturday. It was in many respects a notable gathering. It is seldom indeed that a woman celebrates her golden wedding in the life time of her mother.

A Card.
We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50 cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

FRANK KIMBALL, Norway.
J. H. BROOKS, So. Paris. 44-17

EAST CONWAY.
May Roberts has been sick.

Mary Woodward has been on the sick list.

The school is having a vacation of two weeks.

Wesley Hammond is working for Richard Webster.

Ralph Atkins of Stow is working for Ernest Webster.

Mary Plummer of Sweden has been visiting Mrs. H. E. Nevers.

Mrs. Naomi Wilkinson is visiting Mr. and Mrs. David Colcord at Brownfield.

William Webster died Friday, Dec. 13. The funeral was held at his late residence, Sunday, Dec. 20, Rev. Mr. Pitts of Fryeburg officiating.

A Handsome Souvenir.

The magnificent treatment that was extended by the Grand Trunk to the delegates to the Fifth Congress of the Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, during their visit to Canada last August, has still further been accentuated by the forwarding to the delegates through the British Empire, to their home addresses, one of the most beautiful souvenirs that has ever been issued by any railway. The souvenir is in the shape of a book, and includes a series of reproductions from direct photographs taken during the trip through Ontario and Quebec. The reproductions are in half-tone, printed in the duo-color process, on the finest enamel coated paper that could be secured, the descriptive matter being simply the views, and each page is embellished with a vignette symbolical of each individual district and appearing in the bottom left-hand corner. There are twenty-four pictures in all in the book, which in addition to a view of the splendid train that was tendered by the Grand Trunk to the delegates, show scenes along the line between Montreal and Niagara Falls, Niagara Falls and Windsor, Sarnia to Muskoka, same beautiful reproductions of the scenes in the 'Highlands of Ontario,' and a very comprehensive set of group pictures that were taken of the delegates during their trip. The whole is bound in dark green silk, with a beautiful title page stamped in red and gold showing the coat-of-arms of the Dominion of Canada, encircled with a band of green silk ribbon tied in a bow at the edges. This souvenir will be greatly appreciated by the delegates, and will not only bring back pleasant remembrances of their trip to Canada, but will be an additional factor in bringing before the British Empire the great resources and the magnificent regions in Canada through which the Grand Trunk passes.

World's Fair, St. Louis, 1904.

To prepare our readers for the above, which will be beyond comparison the greatest Fair in the world's history, the Grand Trunk Railway System advertisement in this paper will hereafter weekly mention one or more leading fact or attractive feature of the Fair.

HARRISON.

The condition of Geo. W. Tracy, who had a shock some time ago, is not improving. He is almost helpless and can barely move his hands or arms.

ARCHBISHOP OF MANILA.

Mgr. Hart, Who Was Recently Consecrated at Rome.

Mgr. Jeremiah J. Hart, the noted St. Louis clergyman who was appointed archbishop of Manila by the late Pope Leo XIII. and who has just been consecrated at Rome, is one of the foremost characters in the American priest-



ARCHBISHOP HART OF MANILA.

hood. Interest was added to the ceremony by the fact that Mgr. Hart was the first archbishop to be consecrated under Pope Pius X.

Mgr. Hart is a native of St. Louis, where he was educated and spent all his life. He was ordained in 1878 and during his entire service in the church has been practically in the same parish.

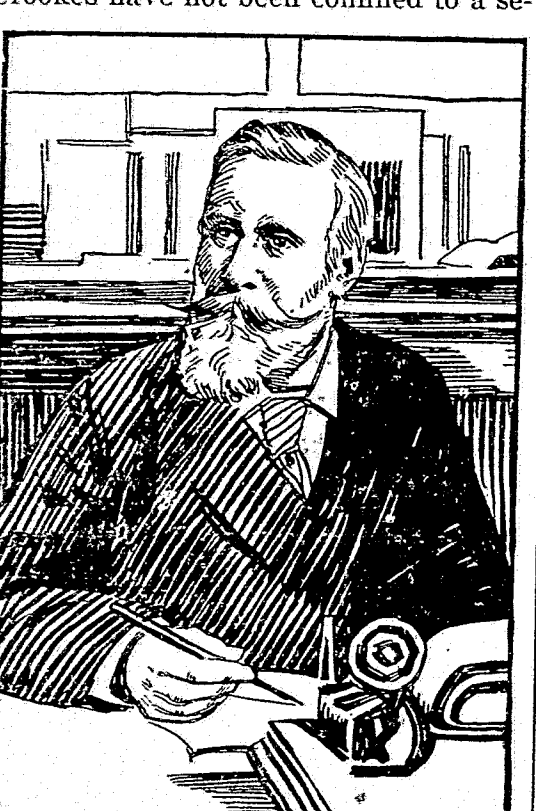
Mgr. Hart is comparatively young for the great responsibilities of his new position, not yet being fifty, but he is a man of consummate tact, and those who are familiar with his capabilities predict his entire success in handling the church problem in the Philippines.

A NOTED SCIENTIST.

The Man Who Made the Discovery of the X Rays Possible.

Sir William Crookes, the eminent British scientist who for over half a century has been a deliver into the mysteries of nature, is still, at the age of seventy-one, as indefatigable in his work of research as when, at the age of sixteen, he first entered a laboratory.

The investigations of Professor Crookes have not been confined to a se-



SIR WILLIAM CROOKES.

lected few of the many fields of research, but to all their ramifications, with the result that he has bestowed incalculable benefits upon various manufactures. Perhaps Professor Crookes' most famous invention to the lay mind is the Crookes tube, by means of which Professor Roentgen was able to make his famous discovery of the X rays.

Owing to his immense knowledge he is naturally associated with the leading scientific societies of Great Britain, the presidential chair of many of which he has at various times occupied.

A HALE OLD LADY.

What the Dowager Duchess of Abercorn Has Done For England.

The dowager Duchess of Abercorn, who recently celebrated her ninety-first birthday at Montagu House, Whitehall, England, was the recipient



DOWAGER DUCHESS OF ABERCORN, AGED 91, AND HER GREAT-GRAND-SON.

of the congratulations of a remarkable gathering of her descendants, which included five generations.

The dowager duchess had fourteen children, ten of whom survive, her eldest son being the present Duke of Abercorn.

The old lady was photographed with her great-great-grandchild in her arms. This youngster is the two hundred and fifth direct descendant of the old duchess, 146 of whom are living and were present on the interesting occasion.

Porcupine blanks for the use of the town treasurer, 25 cents per dozen. Sent by mail on receipt of price. Postage stamps taken. Address this office.

PICTORIAL PUZZLE.



FIND A CANOE AND A PADDLE.

RUMFORD FALLS.

The Loon club has disbanded. Mrs. W. B. Blackman has been a guest of Gertrude Webster in Lewiston.

Ernest A. Wakeley has gone to Portland to attend a commercial college.

Nancy W. Goodwin is spending a few weeks in Lynn and Lawrence, Mass.

Samuel Burleigh, the new superintendent of schools, has moved to town.

The free public reading room is receiving a generous patronage these days.

John Tucker has been home from the University of Maine spending the holidays.

Charles Bla'sdell has moved his family into the rent recently vacated by Payson Smith.

While Quincy Coolidge was driving one day last week his colt became unmanageable and broke both shafts on its sleigh besides causing other damages.

There have been for several weeks two recruiting officers for the regular army here. They have not secured many recruits. Both are sergeants and saw service in the Spanish war.

Last week Mrs. O. A. Pettengill entertained a party of young people in honor of Lavinia Morgan, a guest of Elizabeth Pettengill. Miss Morgan is instructor in Latin at Hebron Academy.

The Free Baptist Quarterly Conference will be held at Canton, Jan. 12-13-14.

The new Free Baptist church built to take the place of the one destroyed by fire a year ago, which has just been completed, is to be dedicated the first day of the conference.

GILEAD.

While Neal McLean was working in the woods a log rolled upon his leg, breaking it.

Thomas Sears and wife, who have been working for H. P. Wheeler, have left for Portland.

C. F. Saunders has got a yoke of oxen and with his horses and five men is doing quite a business.

NORTH LOVELL.

Christmas Day. Olive Benton went home, Christmas.

John Wilson went to Sweden to spend Christmas.

Orville E. McAllister and family went to No. 4, Lovell.

Ella Sawyer spent Christmas with her friend, Minnie Farmer, at Lovell.

Mrs. Sophy McAllister had several of her children to dinner with her in her new home.

M. A. McAllister and wife entertained on Christmas day their father, Peter McAllister, their daughter and son-in-law, Will Farrington and wife with three children, Theona and John M. Farrington, and Annie Huxley.

There was quite a gathering at Benj. Palmer's and G. M. Harriman's. The guests were Mary Horr, Mrs. Asbel Allen, Edwin and Will Allen, Herman and Fred Richards of East Stoneham and Abbie McKen of this place.

Santa Claus was unusually good this year. He brought everything that the children asked for in their letters and the little folks and some of the big ones are satisfied and well pleased with their gifts. It has been a merry Christmas indeed in this place.

Nearly Arctic weather, Saturday night. Eber Johnson of Harbor was at F. L. Harriman's, Sunday.

Phil McAllister is visiting relatives and calling on friends.

Mrs. Charles Davis and son Walter of Lovell visited at G. M. Harriman's last Tuesday.

Dell Stearns of Fair View, Lovell, came after a load of bark, Friday. He is to haul the hemlock bark to Fryeburg for Harriman & Son.

Mrs. L. E. McAllister went to Peru, Tuesday of last week, called there by a telegram saying her mother, Mrs. Poland, had passed away. Mrs. Nellie Sawyer of West Stoneham kept house and took care of the children during her absence.

How to Turn Farm By-Products into Cash.

Hon. J. A. Roberts of Norway is a farmer who keeps steadily at it, increasing his herds, his swine and his crops yearly, growing all the while into a larger business and finding financial returns beyond any salary he could expect elsewhere, with a man speaks by the book. We had the pleasure of hearing him set forth the practical lessons involved in the solution of what to do with his by-products, and the lessons he presented are too valuable to be lost. His opening sentence well illustrates the quality of the man and the work he is doing. He says:

When a man begins to weigh and test he begins to think, to seek more light and better knowledge. The marketing of crop is fully as important as the growing of the same. I found that selling whole milk at six cents was a loss, that there was more in milk and cream. Separator milk is just right for the pigs. In growing young calves, cook flaxseed and give a little with the skim milk, then add oats but keep up milk as long as possible. In pork raising, ten pigs have radically changed the situation. Then only a few were sold, now we ship from Norway by the carloads. Pig pork is wanted. It doesn't pay to winter. Give the pigs a home, clean, sunny and with plenty of fresh air. Grow your own stock. Keep brood sows in healthy condition, not fat and surely not too fat. Feed them largely on milk and middlings. The waste product from a cow, skim milk and dressing is well worth \$15 a year. Keep your pigs growing, adding a little meal to the milk. Push them steadily until they weigh 250 and then sell. No pig can thrive in cold, damp quarters. Make pork growing profitable by keeping cows, using the separator and feeding fresh skim milk to well bred pigs. Make your waste products pay a good profit.—[Maine Farmer.]

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NORTH WOODSTOCK.

Mrs. Elmer Billings is sick at her father's, Henry Whitman's, home.

Joseph Brown is in very poor health and under a doctor's care.

Walter Sessions and wife are visiting relatives in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Floyd Sessions of Rumford is staying at his uncle's, A. H. Sessions', and attending school.

Alphonso Farnum of New Gloucester is working for his uncle, R. E. Farnum, cutting lumber.

Mrs. Mabel Adams and children, who have been stopping in New York with Capt. Adams during the loading of his vessel, have returned home. Capt. Adams sailed for Savannah, Ga., the 10th.

MEXICO.

Christmas entertainments were held at both churches, the Congregational and Baptist.

The sales of the Congregational fund brought into the church fund the nice sum of \$125.

Edward E. Virgin after reaching California decided to go to Portland, Oregon, and is located there.

Chas. B. Richards has returned from North Dakota, where he has been since September. Mr. Richards was born in Mexico.

Mrs. Georgianna, wife of Howard Saunders, is dangerously ill at her home in Ontario, N. Y.

daughter of Joseph Foster, late of Dixfield, a sister to Bradley W. Foster of Huntington, W. Va., to Mrs. A. E. Abbott of this town and Mrs. Wm. W. Wait of Dixfield. Mrs. Wait has been with her sister several months.

Farewell To The Old Year.

Good bye, Old Year, thy visage gray
From earth will soon have passed away.
By moments now we mark thy stay,
I turn my memory back with thee,
As if to hear thee company
Just for a little,—while I see
Bright scenes, though few and far between,—
Yet gladly I from shadows glean
The few, thy so much brighter seem,
When shining out 'mid darkened hours,
Like sunshine after cloud and showers,
Kissing the raindrops from the flowers.
Good bye, Old Year, now thou art gone,
And in thy stead to earth is born
A fresh and glorious New Year's morn.
I close my eyes, while yet I see
Two years, each in eternity;
The past I know, but unto me,
Whether the new year, is yet untold,
Though far between, is yet untold.
I therefore wait resignedly,
For what thou hast in store for me;
Come in, New Year, I welcome thee,
S. J. WESTON.

A Big Pig Story.

I see by a recent issue of the ADVERTISER that one man in South Paris has killed a pig that dressed 419 pounds at eight months old.

There were several men in the town of H. that raised some large porkers, as I was told. There were six or eight men in the blacksmith shop one day. The hotel-keeper was among the number. The man was telling of pigs being raised big and who had killed bigger ones. One man asked the hotel keeper how much his pig weighed. He said his pig was raised under peculiar circumstances, said he bought him in the spring. The man brought him and said, "Where will you have him?" "Take him in the stable, he will take care of himself. I never fed him nor saw him till after he was killed, and he weighed off twenty-seven hundred pounds."

It was high twelve. They all started for dinner, no doubt with good appetites. I never heard of pigs being raised on nothing before, but I have heard of a world being made out of nothing in six days. The creation story I never could swallow, but the pig stories I can swallow from tail to snout at one gulp, and not shed a tear. C. M. BUCK.

HARBOR.

Mrs. C. E. Sta ley and son were in Bridgton, last week Tuesday.

Erving Stanley, wife and little son were in the place, last week.

A. Davis and son of North Conway visited Agnes Davis, last week.

Mrs. Elmer Brackett and children have been visiting her father of late.

Mrs. H. F. Thomson and daughter Evelyn spent Xmas here with relatives.

J. E. Patterson and wife of East Waterford visited C. E. Stanley and wife, recently.

Margery Pray, Leslie McKean and O. H. Stanley are spending their two weeks vacation at home.

O. Mason and family attended the funeral of her great grandmother, Mrs. Mary Seavey, at the church, last week.

The Xmas tree at the church, the 24th, was well attended in spite of the storm. The program consisted of singing, recitations, dialogues, and the Shepherd's Drill by the little ones was very pretty.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Seavey at the church, the 15th, was attended by the following relatives out of town: Mrs. Addie Lord, Grace Holmes of Portland, Spencer Holmes, W. E. Garland, wife and daughter of Lovell Conaway Center, Mr. and Mrs. Keniston, Lovell. The pall bearers were four of the grandsons, Alonzo Seavey, Waldo Seavey, John and Charlie Seavey.

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THE NORWAY ADVERTISER

Coming Events.

Dec. 31—New Year's Ball, Robinson Hall, Oxford.
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 Jan. 2—The Missouri Girl, Norway Opera House.
 Jan. 5—Maine State Pottery and Pet Stock Ass'n's Annual Exhibition, Lewiston.
 Jan. 14—McGowan Glee Club, Norway Opera House.

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Settle your bills to-day, and begin the New Year financially square with the world, if it is a possible thing.

George W. Ridlon of West Paris is announced as a candidate for the legislature from the Paris, Buckfield, Milton district.

Widd Brown Twaddle of Bethel and Frederick Whitney Pratt of Norway are in the entering class of the Maine Medical School at Brunswick.

Crooked River Grange.

The officers of 1904 of Crooked River Grange, No. 32, P. of H., Bolster's Mills, are:

M.—Henry J. Wilson.
 O.—Lucy Dorman.
 Lect.—Rebecca Shedd.
 Stew.—Lynn Shedd.
 A. Stew.—Orin Hancock.
 Treas.—Leander Dorman.
 Sec.—Fanny D. Wright.
 G. K.—Howard Matt.
 Ceres—Mabel J. Wilson.
 Flora—Hattie J. Skilling.
 Pomona—Lilla J. Skilling.
 L. A. S.—Josie Mains.
 Christmas—C. C. Pichman.
 Ex. Com.—A. B. Caswell, A. F. Chute, Lyman man Shedd, H. J. Wilson, Fannie D. Wright.
 Fin. Com.—Lilla J. Skilling, Lella Gay, N. C. Pichman.
 Relief Com.—C. F. Brett, J. L. Greene, Mabel Lowell, C. S. Cook.
 A program for the year has been arranged and printed. The order of the next meeting, Jan. 2, at 10 a. m., is:

Music.....Choir
 Installation of officers.....Choir
 Address.....Geo. H. Greene
 Music.....Choir
 Dinner.....Choir
 Recitation.....Ethel Haskell
 Music.....Choir
 Reading.....Ethel Wright
 Topic—Feed and care of stock. Opened by Albert Caswell.
 Music.....Choir

WEST SUMMER.

Christmas Night.

Christmas night was observed with an entertainment and trees at the Universalist church. All arrangements for the affair were made by Mrs. George Packard, who was assisted by Mrs. F. R. McLaughlin, who had charge of the children, and Mrs. Minnie Newell, who took charge of music by the choir. Program: Voluntary and march by children, Mrs. McLaughlin's recitations, Edna Newell, Gladys Young, Frank, Henry and Harle West, Levi, Louis and Wallace Hazelton, Marjory Thomas, Lois and Etta Hollis, Grace Farrar, Earl Hollis. Recitation with song by three girls, Elva Hazelton, Gladys Young and Etta Newell; song, Dickey Birds, by two girls; song, Sing Children of Bethlehem, by Altona Horne, (7 years of age). This was very fine indeed. Mrs. McLaughlin read Sir Edwin Arnold's poem, "The Nativity." Then followed a letter from Santa Claus and the arrival of two of his assistants.

During the program the choir rendered beautiful selections. Mrs. Thomas was organist for the choir, which was composed of the following: Mrs. Minnie Newell, Luella Farrar, Mrs. Maxine, Mrs. Crockett, Mr. Berry, Mrs. Farrar, Mr. West.

The decorations were simple but beautiful. A large star on evergreen background and word Welcome, and a banner with word Jesus and symbols of his birth, death and resurrection. Both trees and a large table were loaded with gifts.

The church was full and everyone seemed happy, a veritable season of Peace and Good Will. The society have every reason to believe they made this a merry Christmas to all.

A good time for blacksmiths. H. B. T. Chandler has gone to Lewiston for a few days.

E. G. Doble has had a very troublesome boil on his forehead.

Arthur Bonney bought a pair of steers of Freeman Farrar, recently.

C. W. Field and wife went to Dixfield and spent several days at Christmas.

Agnes, daughter of Cyrus Hazelton, is very sick with muscular rheumatism.

Elliott from Rumford Falls is at Freeman Farrar's and round buying cattle.

Ellis Doble and family from South Paris were up here with relatives over Christmas.

Aggie Bonney has been sick so to require a doctor several times, but is much better.

Everett W. Marston of Brunswick has been visiting his brother, Dr. Marston, for a week of more.

Sylvester Bibbee, Melville Barrows and Clifford Dunham have put in ice. It is quite thick and looks clear.

Edith Bradford went to her home in North Paris, Christmas. Charlie Ryeon tended the telephone while she was away.

Aunt Mary Heath has had in ill turn, but we are pleased to see her improving. She is 88 years old, reads and knits without glasses, and retains her mental faculties to a remarkable degree.

There was a family gathering, Christmas day, at J. A. Tuell's. Those present were the parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Tuell, E. L. Tuell and wife from Waterville, Mass., Geo. Winglow, wife and son, Abbie Curtis from Norway, Geo. A. Chandler, wife and son and Mrs. Francette Fletcher. Nineteen took dinner. It was indeed a merry Christmas.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

The sick are reported improving generally.

Allice Hamlin has returned home from Massachusetts.

Cold winter weather registering from 5 to 10 degrees below zero.

All the schools about here have long been closed because of the prevailing malady, measles.

Bessie Adams is reported very sick with measles. The others in the family are convalescent.

WEST LOVELL.

Peacefully Slept.

Mrs. Ruth Lord passed away early Wednesday morning, Dec. 23d, at the advanced age of 87 years, 19 days. She was confined to the bed for five weeks and suffered a great deal until the last, when she peacefully slept.

She moved to this vicinity about 65 years ago, and in younger days was often called upon as nurse. She was an industrious, hard working woman, never allowing her hands to be idle till feebleness compelled her to lay work aside.

Seven children grew to manhood and womanhood, of whom four are living, Millard of Albany, Alora of West Lovell and Granville C. with whom she made her home, and Norreue, a granddaughter, of whom she has had the care since an infant of three months. Besides these there are twelve grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren.

She united with the Christian church at the early age of 14 and was a member until her death. The funeral was held at the house, Friday afternoon, under the supervision of coroner Henry Brown, Rev. Mr. Doughty of Harbor speaking words of comfort. Alexander Laroque, John A. Fox, Nathaniel Fox and Z. McAllister were the bearers.

Clarence D. Lord is at home sick with the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Bickford of Stoneham visited her sister, last week.

L. E. Clary of Deerfield Grange, No. 74, Deerfield, N. H., was in the place, lately.

The recent rain was a great blessing to many. One well which has been dry since early summer has ten feet of water in it already.

Rose Dube, of the Industrial school at Lancaster, Mass., who has been boarding at J. H. McAllister's, has been called back by the officials of the school.

Master Thomas H. H. Harbor is doing chores for Mrs. Alden McAllister and attending school. He and Ralph and Byron McAllister are all the scholars attending school in both districts at West Lovell.

HARRISON.

Christmas in the Village.

The churches of this village had their usual concerts and Christmas trees, this year. The concert at the Free Baptist church was Thursday evening, but owing to the inclement weather was not largely attended. The Congregational society was more fortunate in having good weather on Friday night and the vestry was well filled. The exercises were more interesting than usual and all present seemed to enjoy themselves.

Among those home for Christmas we notice Parley Cole from Bates College, Blanche Cole, who is teaching in Boston, Bertha Pitts from Mt. Holyoke, Ethel Whitney from the Normal School at Bridgewater, Mass., Charles L. Lang from U. of M. Orono, and Eva Allen from Westbrook.

Rev. Fred E. Winn and wife were remembered handsomely by the Congregational churches of Harrison and North Bridgton on Christmas day. Walter Dudley, the chorister at the Congregational church, received a handsome present, and Mrs. M. M. Patrick, the superintendent, was pleasantly remembered by her Sabbath school classes.

The ice cutting has commenced on both ponds.

Philip Pitts of Westbrook, who formerly resided here, is visiting relatives in the village.

There is a great deal of sickness among the older people in town. Three deaths were reported, last week, all being aged persons.

E. L. Davis is sawing ice on McWain pond.

S. C. Davis is cutting fir. Joe Pitts has it for box stuff.

Rain is much needed, many having to haul water for their cattle.

A. D. Pike has taken the job to yard and haul the hemlock on O. D. Jordan's.

SUMNER.

"Cold Enough."

It was 22 below zero here, Dec. 27.

Mrs. H. W. Poland is sick with rheumatism.

W. F. Bonney and C. H. Bonney went to South Paris, Dec. 23.

Corry Bonney has bought a horse of D. A. Fletcher of Hartford.

Mrs. Charles Berry and daughter Eunice are visiting relatives in Redding.

Ethel Morrill, who is working at Buckfield, spent Christmas with her parents, J. E. Morrill and wife.

Mrs. Hattie Abbott and daughter Grace from Massachusetts are visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Newell.

C. B. Tuttle, Julian Dyer and Edwin Cox are cutting ice on Labrador pond. Mr. Cox is boarding at C. B. Tuttle's.

Arno Austin and wife and two children of Peru spent Christmas with Mrs. Austin's parents, O. L. Newell and wife.

FRYEBURG.

George Abbott is quite sick with pneumonia.

Hattie Pike is at home on a vacation; also Clarence Stone.

Etta Burbank and Marion Barker returned to Gorham, Monday night.

There is to be a grand ball at Red Men's hall, Friday evening, Jan. 8.

There were Christmas trees at concerts at the churches, Christmas eve.

Wesley Carson, who has been seriously sick with pneumonia, is rapidly improving.

The Sunday school concert at the vestry, Sunday evening, was largely attended and was a success.

Plenty of snow now and sleighing fine. It is being well improved by the wood and timber haulers.

Susan Heggerty, who has lived at William Kelly's for many years, died Sunday morning, Dec. 27, after a long illness.

HEBRON.

Sybil Pike has gone to Medway, Mass., to spend the winter.

Vivian Beare and his mother spent a few days in Sweden last week.

The ladies' circle meets Tuesday afternoon for their monthly picnic supper.

A basket-ball game followed by a sociable was held in the gymnasium, Saturday evening.

Fred Sturtevant returned from New Sharon, last Saturday, and brought his bride home with him.

Dr. A. R. Crane and Prof. W. E. Sargent attended the funeral of Elizabeth Hodson at Yarmouth, Saturday.

Christmas trees with appropriate exercises were held at Hebron Grange hall in the afternoon and at the Baptist church in the evening of Christmas day.

OXFORD.

Some Lively Work.

On Monday, Dec. 14th, Charles Robinson shod 30 horses. During the week 90 were shod and he took fifteen dollars for his job work. He had a hired man one day and a half during the week, other wise the work was all accomplished by our energetic neighbor.

A social dance was held in Robinson hall, Saturday evening.

Bertha Kavanaugh spent last week with relatives in Portland.

Carl Edwards of Portland spent Christmas at his parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. McKinnon of Mechanic Falls were in town on business, Friday.

Blanche Lord, who is attending school in Boston was at home during last week.

Leon Walker was at home from his school in Cambridge during Christmas week.

Will Thomas and wife spent Christmas day with her mother, Mrs. Chas. Hanscom.

Bert Martin and Joseph Trebilcock of Lowell, Mass., were at home over Christmas.

Reginald Robinson of Orono College spent last week with his father, Charles Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bumpus visited Mr. and Mrs. C. McKinnon at the town farm, Sunday.

Mrs. Annie E. Powers of Paris Hill was in town, last week, canvassing for electric combs.

Heloise Hersey of Boston is spending a few weeks with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Hersey.

Howard Davis, who has been so ill in Rochester, N. H., returned home, Thursday, and is feeling much better.

Mrs. Flossie McAllister and Mrs. Annie Jones have gone to Lowell, Mass., and opened a lodging house. They will be very much missed in Oxford.

Mrs. Caroline Bumpus received a box from her daughter, Mrs. Emily Kavanaugh, and sons, George and Clarence of Portland, on Christmas. Mrs. Bumpus, who is 82 years of age, was very much pleased as she removed from her box numerous pretty gifts, wine, fruits and confectionery. The other relatives and friends in town were also generously remembered.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

How the 25th Was Spent.

There was a family Christmas tree and oyster supper at Orin Sanborn's, Saturday night. Ella came home from Auburn and Mr. and Mrs. G. Q. Perham and children and Jerry Rhines made up the party.

Daniel Bryant and son Dannie took dinner with F. E. Davis and wife, Christmas. W. S. Davis and wife entertained J. H. Davis and wife and Mrs. Hannah Irish. Mr. Holman spent Christmas at Wilton, returning Monday.

The people in this vicinity are harvesting their ice, this week.

A. M. Andrews and wife were at Sumner, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Flora Cummings of South Paris is caring for Mrs. Frank Vetoquoy and baby.

Aunt Arvilla Bryant had quite an ill turn, last week, but is better at this writing.

Clifton Curtis from Dorchester, Mass., is spending the holidays with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Andrews.

SOUTH HARRISON.

Horse Died.

Howard Randall lost one of his team horses by sickness last Saturday.

Howard Randall and wife spent Christmas in Portland.

Mrs. Ed. Watson of Naples has visited her sister, Mrs. Eugene Johnson.

Frank Gerry and wife of Webb's Mills were guests at Josiah Strout's one day last week.

A large quantity of good quality of ice has been harvested here this winter, notwithstanding a few have not yet got their ice.

Samuel G. Cash died very sudden last Thursday night at Scribner's Mills, where he has been boarding for the last year or two. His age was about 75 years.

PORTER.

Moses Robbins is hauling wood to Brownfield.

George Norton is cutting timber for George Davis.

Orin Norton of Gorham is the guest of his brother, George Norton.

Fred Howard and wife spent Christmas with friends in Brownfield.

Sylvester Day of Conway, N. H., has been the guest of his sister, Louisa Robbins.

Sidney McDonald is hauling bark and timber to Brownfield station for Charles Lewis.

Sivie Pollard had a birthday party, the 26th. A good time and numerous presents.

Darling Huntress attended meeting at Porter village, the 27. There is a good interest and a good work being done there.

It has been very icy, but a light fall of snow, the 26th, covered the ice. We have had the coldest weather of the season, this last week.

Our mail man finds it hard getting round. Snow, then rain and slush and ice, so far this winter, but we are in hopes of something better soon so the loggers can go to work.

School in the Cross district closed, Friday, the 13th. There were select readings by Sivie Pollard and Nettie Lord. Recitations by Harry Lord, Mary Audet, Ralph L. Norton, Emory Audet, Evelyn Durgin and Josephine Audet. The closing feature was the hiding of a part of the treat by the teacher and lively hunt for the peanuts which were hid in every available place caused much merriment for the scholars.

STANLEY.

Mrs. E. P. Sawyer is improving in health.

Dana E. Weeks is hauling birch for Joe Douglass.

Charles Cole is hauling apples to Cornish depot.

George Tewksbury has gone to Freedom, N. H., to work.

Stillman Chick has gone to Bath to work in the ship-yard.

Freeman Day and wife spent Christmas at South Windham with their daughter.

Alonzo Libby bought a horse of Simon Hanscome of Brownfield one day last week.

Mrs. Josephine Rounds is staying a few days at her sister's, Mrs. Freeman Day's.

NEWRY.

Thurston-Stevens.

Effie J. Thurston of Newry and Frank M. Stevens of Lewiston were married, Dec. 25, at the home of the bride's parents. They are now away on their tour and will return to live in Lewiston.

Schools closed, Thursday.

Edgar E. Lewis has a very sore hand. Walter Foster lost one of his work horses, Dec. 23.

David Holt was in town on business, the first of the week.

Allice M. Burnham returned to her home in Poland, Friday.

Walter Foster and wife spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Stearns in Bethel.

Mrs. A. B. Frost was visited by her father and mother of North Paris, Saturday.

Mrs. W. N. Small is in Portland shopping and visiting her aunt whose health is very poor.

Don Smith killed a hog for W. F. Small, Monday.

N. W. Frost and wife and Frank Bisebee, wife and son spent Christmas day at the home of A. B. Frost.

Walter Powers got a piece of steel in his finger while shoeing a horse Friday. He had to go to Bethel to have it removed.

EAST OTISFIELD.

Mrs. T. J. Everett is in very "poor" health.

Mabel E. Whitum is at work at Chas. O. Martin's.

Simon P. Wardwell of Lewiston was in this place last week.

Nathaniel Robinson, who has been very sick, is gaining slowly.

Mrs. Virginia Pitts is staying with her son Harry for a few weeks.

Albert F. Hamblin of Spurr's Corner was at H. L. Pitts', Sunday.

Ethel Peaco, who is at work in New Gloucester, spent Xmas with her parents.

Izla Lasaw of Oxford has been spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Harry Stone.

Nellie Bowker of Auburn was at home Xmas with her parents, Moses Spiller and wife.

School commenced in district No. 4, Dec. 21st, taught by Alice L. Wetherell of Harrison.

Marion Foster, who works in Gray, spent Christmas with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Foster.

Lena, little daughter of M. C. Kemp, has been very sick from the effects of the scarlet fever by getting cold.

Mrs. Henry Colby, who has been staying at Thomas Everett's for the past six weeks, returned to her home in Casco, Dec. 21st.

George A. Dingley of Portland spent Xmas at Ellis R. Stone's. Mrs. C. W. Sanborn spent the day with Mrs. Maria Wright. There was a tree at the hall, Xmas night, and there were exercises by the children, after which Santa Claus remembered the children. Mrs. Nellie E. Morse was at George Edwards' and Peter Wood's.

WEST BETHEL.

Mrs. Harry Mills has returned home from her visit.

Willie Mills and wife have moved into the Haskell house.

Mrs. Minnie Titus spent Christmas with relatives at Winthrop.

Charlie Dennison is spending a part of his vacation from school here with her parents.

John Rollins is keeping house in Grange building recently vacated by A. J. Haskell.

Mabel Scribner has been working in Dennison's store, assisting in taking account of stock on hand.

Ed. Smith's horse ran away last Monday, spilling his load of ice and breaking the harness quite badly.

Merle Mason received a nice overcoat and a pair of gaiters, a Christmas present from his sister, Lettie.

W. H. Merrow received a nice set of engraving tools as a Christmas present from his son, George Merrow of Portland.

Harry Lane and wife and Mike Kenough and wife of Sumner spent Christmas in this village with parents, D. D. Fletcher and wife.

Grace Mason received lots of nice Christmas presents, from friends, all of which were very useful and beneficial to her. She continues in very poor health.

Eva and Edith Fiske, daughters of Elmer Fiske, have been quite sick but are now reported better. Mrs. Fiske recently received a visit from her father, mother and sister.

Mrs. W. W. Goodridge of Gorham, N. H., was in this village and spent Christmas at her parental home, and remembered several of her former neighbors with a Christmas present.

WEST MINOT.

Mrs. C. L. Perry remains about the same.

Mrs. Abbie Sawtelle of Poland is visiting Mrs. Fannie Verrill.

Lionie DeCosta of Lewiston spent the Sabbath with her father, A. F. DeCosta.

Grace Attwood of Auburn spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Attwood.

M. and Mrs. W. A. Bemis of Dorchester, Mass., are visiting their daughter, Mrs. H. W. Bearce.

J. B. Cloutier has not been so well for a few days. His daughter, Mrs. Allie Gagnon, spent Sunday with him.

Charles Crocker has injured one of his eyes, so he has to go to the C. M. G. hospital every day for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Rowe and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Deering spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Beas in South Paris.

Charles Verrill and wife,

Suicide of H. B. Wardwell.

Tuesday forenoon it was discovered that H. B. Wardwell of Otisfield had committed suicide.

Mr. Wardwell was living alone on his small farm, and of late has been much depressed, if not actually deranged. Sunday afternoon he had company at his house and that was the last time he was ever seen alive. As no one saw any smoke in the house Monday or Tuesday morning, it aroused the suspicion of some of the neighbors and Wallace Lovejoy went and forced his way in. On reaching the room where Wardwell slept he was horrified to find him dead on the bed and frozen stiff. A bottle of carbolic acid partly empty stood on the stand, which showed only too well the manner of his death.

Mr. Wardwell was 56 years of age and in some respects a remarkable character. He was a fine photographer-artist and several years ago kept an art store in Lewiston and Auburn. His pictures were always of a high artistic order.

Mr. Wardwell leaves two sisters, one of whom is the wife of Alvin Lovejoy, Otisfield, and the other is Mrs. Geo. W. Hobbs of Norway. The funeral was attended from the residence of Jonathan Wardwell, Otisfield, Thursday forenoon at 10 o'clock and the interment was in that place.

BETHEL.

1903-1904.
This is the last list of messages to your columns this year. Good bye, old year, your good mission is appreciated and finished. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the readers of the ADVERTISER. Let us review our lives of the year just closed and endeavor to improve it in the year to come. The opportunities are many and let us grasp them.

The caw of the crow is occasionally heard.

Herman H. Wilson is in very poor health.

Dry hard wood is retailing for \$4.50 per cord.

Colds are prevalent and the doctors are busy.

Evans Kilgore has gone to Florida for the winter.

Ira C. Jordan and family are in with hoarse colds.

Herman Mason is working in the store for Mr. Jordan.

Nabum Bennett of Magalloway was in town Christmas.

Four inches of light snow, this Wednesday morning.

Ida M. Hill of Norway spent Christmas with friends in town.

Charles Mason has been confined to the house for several weeks.

Ice cutting is the order of the day and a fine harvest can be secured.

Alton Richardson of U. of M. is at home for Christmas vacation.

The patrons of the local telephone are much pleased with its service.

Prof. John L. Dyer, formerly assistant at Gould Academy, is visiting in town.

Archer L. Grover of Orono is spending Christmas with his parents in this village.

E. C. Rowe has been suffering with an injured knee, caused by falling on the ice.

O'Connor, our new station agent, is one of five brothers who are all station agents.

Glady's E. Wood, who has been visiting friends in town, has returned to her home in Portland.

Nearly all the college boys are at home through Christmas week and are a healthy, happy looking crew.

Uncle Ned Robertson and E. B. Goddard, aged 88 and 86, are seldom seen on the streets this cold weather.

Prof. Ernest H. Pratt and wife of Oxford spent Christmas with Mrs. Pratt's parents, A. W. Grover and wife.

Edgar H. Brooks and H. W. Fickett have lately been qualified as trial justices in Lincoln Plantation, Wilson's Mills.

The several church societies of the place held Christmas festivals and concerts, Thursday, Friday and Sunday evenings.

The "Fish and Game Commission" at Augusta are the proper authorities to notify by those shooting deer while destroying their property.

This Christmas has been a cold wave thus far. Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday mornings the glass was below 0, this Tuesday being 10 degrees below.

Middle Intercity.

Corra Farwell is home from Colby College to spend the holidays.

A present to the winter from Newton Kimball of some nice beats; also a fine squash.

A pleasant occasion Christmas night at the home of Wm. Farwell and a family gathering.

Maud Russell, the teacher here, with her father and mother, was called to attend the funeral of a relative in Upton, Mrs. Lane, a sister of Mrs. Russell.

The pupils here have received fine presents from their teachers. Some have received Xmas presents from friends at Bethel Hill. A quiet Christmas here at our homes.

BROWNFIELD.

Lena G. Staples is home from Lewiston for the holidays.

The mumps have arrived in town, Genie E. Swan being the latest victim.

Duncan Cameron of Portland spent Xmas with his brother, Rev. A. J. Cameron.

The union Christmas tree was at Memorial hall this year. The presents were many and varied. A short program was given by the children.

Andrew Blake and wife entertained at dinner, Christmas day, James Wentworth and wife, Charles Harmon and wife, Miss H. M. Harmon and Frank Harmon.

W. M. Allen, who has been visiting at Chas. Harmon's, started on Thursday for the West, where he expects to spend the winter in Seattle, Wash., with his sister, Mrs. Richard Odelle.

NORWAY LAKE.

Mrs. Osgood Perry still remains quite ill.

Janet Stephens is at home for the holidays.

Clody Frost of Harrison was at David Frost's recently.

Dr. E. J. Noyes of Lovell was at J. L. Partridge's, Tuesday.

W. S. Partridge and family were at E. E. Pottle's for Christmas.

Leola Noyes went to her home in Lovell for Christmas, returning with her father, Tuesday.

Names of pupils having a rank of 100 during second week of school—Donald Partridge, Grace Flood, Freddie Stiles, Rena Wood, Georgia Gerry.

EAST HEBRON.

Death Better Than Life.

J. J. Fuller, who was found on the ice by a spring where he went to get water, with his horse across his lungs, a short time ago, gains but very little if any. Many think he had a shock, which is the reason why he cannot give an account of his accident. He does not wish to recover his health, but thinks death better than life.

Ladies' fair, Dec. 7th, in Grange hall. Mrs. Jennie S. Hodson came home from Waterville to pass Christmas with her father's family and returned on Saturday.

Christmas festival in the church passed off finely. The selections by the children gave them much amusement and credit. All parts were well carried out.

George Needham is looking for a place to buy or rent. The house where he now lives is owned by a Mr. Phillips from Auburn who intends to move there the first of March.

Eddie Lee arrived safely after taking his journey to St. Louis with no one he ever saw before. He was well pleased to find his parents at the station to welcome him.

Everyone was treated to a fine, abundant Christmas dinner on that day. Half or blind, old or young, no one is allowed to go hungry in East Hebron, but the very best is brought out for all hungry souls.

Edwin Allen and wife had the family without exception to pass Christmas with them. Leola Davis from Tuxton, Lemuel Greene and wife from Portland, Almie Davis and Mrs. Dwyne from Lynn. The only brother, John Davis, was unable to leave his work in Lynn. H. A. Record was present.

Last week as Edwin Allen started for home with two bags of grain in his sleigh, from the store near the station, W. Slattery was coming from the station with his horse that believes in going (when he starts). Mr. Slattery held him until the rein broke, and the team went over Mr. Allen's sleigh. Mr. Allen's back was badly lamed and his face was bruised and swollen. The sleigh top was in many pieces and looked like a returned veteran.

SWEDEN.

O. R. Maxwell is visited by his cousin, Chas. Stevens.

The coldest wave of the season passed over us Sunday morning.

Ephraim Durgin repaired J. W. Perry's icehouse the past week.

Minot Nevers slipped on the ice recently, receiving a severe injury.

Mrs. Geo. Marston and Guy Morse of Lovell were at Bert Stone's, Sunday.

Frank Durgin is hauling spool strips from Bisbee's mill to North Waterville.

C. W. and E. S. Bennett have just cut and hauled Mrs. Wm. Mann's ice from Keyes pond.

O. P. Saunders and E. S. Plummer gathered their ice from Chute's pond the past week.

C. W. Bennett while coming down R. O. Moulton's hill, Tuesday, tipped over sustaining slight injuries.

Allice L. Perry, who is spending the holidays at her home, returns to her school in Conway, N. H., Saturday.

Mrs. Geo. R. Kimball and daughters and Tom Mayberry of North Bridgton were at M. E. Perry's, Xmas night.

M. E. Perry with a crew of men cut and gathered his ice from Keyes pond, Monday, and J. W. Perry's, Tuesday.

Mary A. Plummer returns to North Bridgton this week to resume her duties as matron of the Club, Bridgton Academy.

Family Christmas tree at C. W. Bennett's, Friday night. We learn that Santa Claus was very generous in his gifts to all.

Abbie E. Woodbury closes her school, Thursday, at Noyes' Corner, also Emma E. Jacobs of Bridgton closes her school in the Flint district, Thursday.

Thel. Bennett and Dell Holden are hauling birch bolts from Reuben Morrill and J. W. Perry's lots to H. H. Rybee's mill for Chas. M. Evans.

Walter M. Evans and Ned Holden are cutting and hauling pine for C. H. Davis from the Kneeland place to Ring's landing. Irving S. Chandler is at work in the woods for Ned Holden.

Winfield S. Stevens has a large crew of men and teams engaged to cut and haul the pine on the Saunders lots for Wm. Saunders and R. O. Moulton to Kesaw river. They are waiting for more snow.

At the Christmas tree at M. E. Perry's for the children, Friday evening, Dec. 25th, coffee and delicious cake were served. Allice Bailey, Gladys Kimball and Harold Stone rendered nice selections, then Gladys, Myra and Elizabeth Kimball sang an Xmas song.

Bert Stone, wife and son took dinner Christmas with their grandparents at Parris Page's, North Waterville. Wiley S. Richardson and wife of Conway Corner, N. H., Mrs. George Wilson and son John of Lovell spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. I. S. Richardson.

UPTON.

The youngest child of Ed and Annie Chas is very sick.

A. W. Jenkins killed a hog, Dec. 22, which dressed 506 pounds.

The Christmas exercises at the church, Saturday evening, were very good.

James Bernier has a crew getting out birch, which he will haul to Bethel.

S. E. Morse had a very nice gold watch sent from friends for a Christmas present.

Lucie Morse, who has been at Grafton helping Mrs. Farrar for a few weeks, is home for the holidays.

Emma Morse, who has been teaching "the young idea" at Magalloway, has closed her school and is at home.

Mrs. A. W. Jenkins and son Cedric have gone to Norway. Cedric will stay with his grandparents and attend school.

NORTH BETHEL.

Thurston's mill is again running on full time.

Some are cutting ice, while others are getting up wood.

Mrs. P. F. Hastings called one day last week at Miss M. E. Locke's.

There are four or five teams hauling birch from Thurston's lot to the mill here.

Clarence Files has returned from Stoneham and is working in the mill here.

There was a family Christmas tree at the home of C. O. Moore last Friday night.

Mrs. Grace Allen and two little boys are visiting at her father's, C. O. Moore's.

Clarence Files has been visiting at home the past week. Mrs. Virgil Chapman visited at Northwest Bethel, Saturday, the 26th.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to his death neighbors, also the Masonic Lodge for their kind sympathy and assistance in our late bereavement through the loss of our father; and also for the beautiful flowers.

Mrs. G. H. Briggs and Family.
West Paris, Dec. 24, 1903.

WEST PARIS.

Sudden Death.

Everybody was shocked to hear of the sudden death of Timothy W. Willis last Monday morning, Dec. 28. Although he has been in poor health for a year past he was able to be about and worked. His father has been sick three weeks and Tim has done the chores. On this particular morning he commenced work but was taken with a faintness and had to sit down. Not recovering readily a doctor was summoned but he lived only an hour or two. The doctor called the immediate cause of his death neuritis of the heart.

He is the son of William F. and Annie (Stevens) Willis and was 18 years, six months old. He was a loving companion to his little sister Laura who now is the only child left the mourning parents.

The funeral was held at the home on Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock attended by Rev. D. E. Nelson.

Floral tributes were sent in loving remembrance by the employees of the Paris Mfg. Co., where he worked this fall, from the School Improvement League, from the family and from others.

Frank Burbank of South Paris was in town last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gerrish are visiting at J. Marshall's.

Mrs. Carroll Bacon is in poor health. Stella Churchill is helping her.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. H. C. Lane next Thursday.

Mrs. O. K. Yates went to Locke's Mills Friday to spend the day with her sister, Mrs. Libby.

Rev. Z. D. Tibbets of Lewiston will preach at the Free Church, next Saturday, the next six months commencing next Saturday. He and Rev. B. M. Edwards were here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Bucknam went to Boston last Thursday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Bucknam's son, Clarence Curtis and other relatives. Al Estes is tending meat shop for him.

Frank Keene and family of Hebron are living with his brother Hiram's family in the Hall house. They could not find a vacant rent. The Keene brothers are hauling lumber for the Paris Mfg. Co. this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Curtis have moved here from North Norway. They are building a camp with two rooms near Mrs. Holland Curtis so he can use his bath, there being no available rent with stable in the place. Mr. Curtis will haul lumber for the Paris Mfg. Co., and will return to the farm in the spring.

The Christmas entertainment, last Thursday evening passed off pleasantly. The children did well in spite of the shortness of time for rehearsals, etc. They were all happy while receiving their presents. Old Santa Claus remembered every child present and some who were not. The church was well filled with other people who seemed glad that they came.

The Ideal Entertainers, now on their 6th annual tour are to play here Jan. 9, for the benefit of I. O. O. F. Their motto is the saying of Joe Jefferson: "If a play leaves its audience better, happier, gentler and more alive to the tenderest things of life, it has accomplished its best possible purpose." The goal is high and any company that puts that motto on its banner and travels the same territory for six years in succession must possess solid merit or it would have been driven from the country.

CASCO.

Lumbering.

The lumbermen are waiting for snow and the ice being done. R. Cook & Son are hauling some very large pine from their lot near Pike's Corner to their mill. Our new and enterprising firm, G. B. Mayberry & Co., have eighteen men employed in the woods on lots in Casco and Otisfield, also a crew getting out pilng and car timber on one of two large lots recently purchased in Falmouth, where they have arranged for a sawmill during the winter and spring. This is a company formed lately. They are all young men, and have push and energy, and will be sure to succeed.

Mrs. E. A. Barton remains very poorly.

George Burgess has been making extensive repairs on his barn.

The new Grange hall at the village is nearing completion, and they intend to dedicate it about New Year.

There was a Christmas tree at Webb's Mills on Friday evening, which was well filled with Christmas fruit.

LOVELL CENTRE.

Alice Stearns is home from Wellesey for the holidays.

Mrs. J. D. Hatch went to South Paris Sunday to care for her son's wife.

Mrs. G. R. Hamblen of Bridgton is spending two weeks at her father's.

Mrs. Mary McKee is home from Lynn and stopping with her sister, Mrs. W. O. Brown.

Dr. Bartlett's and Charles Bartlett's families were at J. F. Stearns' Christmas parties where they had a family tree.

The Christmas entertainment and tree was enjoyed by all houses and credit is due the committee who had but a week to make arrangements. The tree was very pretty and bore abundant fruit.

Elmer Davis of North Conway, N. H., has come to Happy Valley Farm to live awhile. His father, Arthur Davis, with Charles Waterhouse and wife and Agnes Davis visited at Elwell Andrews' Christmas.

WILSON'S MILLS.

A stove has been put in the church. A box party was held the 19th of December to raise money to assist in paying the salary of our pastor. Rev. and Mrs. Tuck held services at Lincoln pond camp, Dec. 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Flint were up from Newry to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Flint. Marion and Freddie Johnson were also there from Colebrook, joining in with their grandfather, F. A. Flint.

The younger portion of our population have been very busy, the past week, preparing for a Christmas tree at the church, with recitations and singing for entertainment. Harry Furbush and Jas. Matheson of Rangeley were at Flint's hotel. Mr. Furbush kindly gave some selections on the gramophone to help out the programme.

BRYANT'S POND.

The Result of a Fall.

Harry Beals, aged about 12 years, living in the family of Gilman A. Whitman, died Dec. 27. His death was due to a fall while coming home from school. He was buried on Monday in the Whitman family yard. A sister from Portland was notified, but failed to arrive in season for the funeral.

Fred Hill is attending the Shaw Business College.

Chas. H. Buck, Jr., has moved to Shelburne.

Mary and Lizzie Stevens are at home on a vacation.

Robert McCallister returned Sunday to Fort Williams.

Dana C. Whitman of Everett has been visiting relatives here.

David Elphinstone and wife of Bethel, Vt., are visiting at James W. Powers'.

C. B. Ryerson, jeweler, has located in the Ezra jewelry shop at North Woodstock.

Alfred Caldwell has moved into the house recently occupied by Charles H. Peckham.

Walter Bacon of Norway, and Myrtle Bacon of Portland, spent Christmas at H. C. Bacon's.

Allen and Lester Hathaway were each made happy by the gift of a watch for a Christmas present.

Mrs. Dr. Bucknam of Portland was with her parents in this village over Sunday, returning to Portland Sunday night.

Stillman G. Morse died quite suddenly Dec. 23, aged about 65 years. He was a war veteran. His funeral occurred on Friday. He leaves three sons and several brothers.

The farmers are all putting in their ice.

Abbie Whitman and Elsie Wade are sick with bad colds.

Mann's mill started up for the winter last week. Dearborn's will start next.

Fred C. Hill went to Portland, Saturday, where he will attend Shaw's Business college.

Norman McCallister from Fort Williams spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Ed. Cole, returning on Sunday.

The Xmas exercises, Friday evening, and concert on Sunday evening passed off very pleasantly with a good attendance.

Charles Hill, Edwin Cole and Benj. Billings have each driven a well recently, so they have water brought in their houses.

GREENWOOD.

Mrs. Charles Jenkins is very sick with pneumonia.

William Richardson is slowly recovering from his recent illness.

Frank Ring, fireman on the G. T. R. R., was at home Thursday and Friday of last week.

There was a Christmas tree and exercises for the children at the church, Friday evening.

Mr. Monroe of Norway is teaching singing school at Greenwood City. There are about thirty attending.

Thel Farwell, the teacher at the City, spent Christmas at Bethel with her parents, E. L. Farwell and wife.

Mrs. Esther Herrick, who has been sick for the past year caused by a shock, is now suffering from paralysis.

Lester Penley and wife of Locke's Mills, also Fred Penley of the same place were at E. W. Penley's, Sunday.

Pearl Whitman, wife and daughter Florence came down from Bethel to spend Christmas with their parents.

Iva Ring, who attends school at Deerling, was at home Christmas week with her parents, Benjamin Ring and wife.

Alice, Blanche and Leona Penley of Norway spent Christmas at home with their parents, E. W. Penley and wife.

Elise Roberts has returned home from Bethel, where he has been for the past three weeks with his sister, Mrs. P. M. Whitman.

Richardson Hollow neighborhood had a Christmas tree at Charlie Richardson's Thursday night. A good many attended and a good time reported.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS.

Filed with the Several Town Clerks.

Lewis Edwin Fox and Elsie Eliza Royal, both of Paris.

Wm. A. Wentworth and Maud D. Beaubien, both of Norway.

Vernad Edwards and Hattie L. Chase, both of South Paris.

Arthur Elroy Dean of Paris and Estella May Arthur of Paris.

John Gilman Wentworth and Ellen Frances Curtis, both of South Paris.

MARRIAGES.

In New Sharon, Dec. 20, by Rev. George A. Merrill, Fred Sturtevant of Hebron and Emma O. Thompson of New Sharon.

In Brownfield, Dec. 24, by Rev. H. H. Hoy of Hiram, Herbert Flint of Hiram and Florence Bartlett of Brownfield.

In South Paris, Dec. 23, by Rev. E. W. Pierce, Fred B. Scribner and Angie M. Jackson, both of Paris.

In Newry, Dec. 25, by Rev. F. Barton, Frank M. Stevens of Lewiston and Elsie J. Thurston of North Newry.

In Norway, Dec. 24, by Rev. W. E. Brooks, D. D. Herbert H. Gray of Oxford and Esther L. Edwards of Norway.

In Candia, N. H., Dec. 24, by Rev. George Kimball, Vernon Dean and Addie Eliza Stone, both of Otisfield.

In Harrison, Dec. 25, by Rev. E. Z. Whitman, Irving Russell and Rowena Mildred Wheeler, both of Harrison.

In Boston, Dec. 23, F. Austin Tenney and Blanche Cummings, both of Portland.

BIRTHS.

In Brownfield, Dec. 19, to the wife of L. A. Cole, a daughter.

In South Paris, Dec. 24, to the wife of Albert L. Hatch, a daughter.</

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NORWAY AND VICINITY

Congregational Concert.

There was a fair attendance at the concert, Sunday evening, and all attending were helped by the service very much. The chorus numbered about eighteen, including the church quartet, and they sang excellently, the music being stirring and the chorus singing in good time and volume. The solos of Mrs. Bradbury and Mr. Dunn were fine. The children spoke suitable selections well, and the pastor spoke a few words on Christmas in the missions of the cities. Program:

Voluntary...
Chorus...
Scripture Reading...
Prayer...
Quartet...
Recitation—On Christmas Day... Howard Chick
A Christmas Carol... Josie Chase
Solo... Mrs. F. F. Bradbury and chorus
Recitation—Wait Till Trouble Comes... Mildred Holmes
Chorus...
Recitation—The Christmas Tree... Daisy Chase
Christmas Carol... Josie Chase
Solo... James Dunn and chorus
Recitation—Life Music... Florence Bideout
Offering...
Remarks... Pastor
Duet... Mrs. Bradbury, Mrs. Smiley and chorus
Benediction

Eunice S. Witherell,
Wife of Ivers L. Witherell, formerly superintendent of the B. R. Spinnery & Co. shoe factory, passed away at her late residence, 22 Portland street, Lynn, Mass., Friday afternoon. For some time Mrs. Witherell has suffered from bronchial pneumonia.

She was born in Cornish, Sept. 21, 1825, and spent the first ten years of her life in that place. Soon after her tenth year she removed to Lynn. She was prominent in club work, being a member of the Lynn Women's Club and the Lynn Historical Society. She was a member of the Unitarian church, attending regularly. She has made scores of friends, all of whom will miss her cheerful smile and kindly word.

She leaves a husband, one son, John H. Witherell, and one daughter, Mrs. E. D. Dunn, both of Lynn.

Mrs. Nellie Blood and two children have been visiting Mrs. A. R. Penley at Mechanic Falls.

Frank Barker and wife from Bath spent Christmas day with her parents, Otto Schaner and wife.

If you have wants, and we know you do, why not let your wants be known to our readers. Look over the wants in our want column.

Annie B. Lafarier has resigned the position as principal of the grammar school at Mechanic Falls and has accepted a position in the fourth grade at Hallowell.

C. H. Bacon of South Paris shows us a dollar bill the State bank of Hallowell issued as near as we can make out May 12, 1814 or 1824. The cashier was A. H. Howard and president, C. N. Rich. Mr. Bacon got this bill about a year ago and it is nicely printed and well kept.

BRYANT'S POND.

Pythian Sisterhood.
By special dispensation granted by the Grand Assembly of Maine Evergreen Assembly, Pythian Sisterhood, will hereafter hold their meetings on the 2d and 4th Saturday evenings of each month, in Dudley hall. Evergreen Assembly being the first order which holds meetings in the new hall, they found it necessary to furnish altar and tables. On the evening of Dec. 12th, it being their first meeting held there, they were very agreeably surprised and greatly pleased at finding a nice new altar in the hall, made and presented to their order by Harry Crockett. On the evening of Dec. 28th they were again much surprised by finding a new Bible, presented to them by Joseph N. Panneton. It was voted on motion that a vote of thanks and expressions of gratitude be extended to each donor, as these beautiful and useful presents were gratefully accepted and kindly appreciated by all loyal members of Evergreen Assembly.

Ansel Moody is in very poor health this winter.

George, Bert and Fred Whitman, and E. Thompson are shipping milk to Portland.

A traveling company, "The Ideal Entertainers," will play here on the evening of Jan. 8, in Dudley opera house for the benefit of the Pythian Sisterhood.

Any Thompson, the 15-year-old daughter of E. Thompson, who went from here to New York city this fall, secured a position as cash girl on the third floor of Rothenberg & Co.'s store on West 14th street. She has since been advanced to the main floor and given a permanent position. After the holidays she will enter the young ladies' evening school near West 99th street, in which they fit pupils for the high school, thus holding her position and attending school at the same time, which shows what an ambitious girl can do. She lives with her sister, Mrs. A. B. Atwood.

A chair factory owned by Senator Timothy Sullivan of Lancaster and Frank W. Cobb of Portland in North Conway, N. H., was destroyed by fire, Saturday, causing a loss of \$10,000, not insured. The flames started in the print room, where a lighted lamp came in contact with some benzine.

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AT THE MERCY OF THE MILITIA

By Bennet Musson

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have taken a cowardly advantage of you, and you will remain a prisoner until the parade passes and even until you admit that I am a fit person to marry your niece," said George.

"This is preposterous, Mr. Page," began Miss Hammond, "and I demand that—"

"Preposterous, but necessary," Page interrupted firmly.

The colonel had come to a decision. He was seated in a chair, with his bath robe folded about him. "I'll wait," he said grimly.

"And miss the parade?" inquired George.

There was no answer to this, and for a moment Page looked helpless; then he asked, "Are you quite comfortable?"

"Doing very well, thank you," chuckled the imprisoned warrior.

George turned to the two women. "Will you both kindly visit your friends in the flat above?" he said. "I have emphatic statements to make to the colonel."

"I cannot countenance anything of the kind," protested Miss Hammond.

"You admit that your brother's foolish prejudice stands between Gertrude's happiness and mine?"

"Yes, but—"

"The bath room door is locked, and the key is in my pocket. You cannot possibly get the colonel out. Please go upstairs for a few minutes," pleaded George.

The women departed with great reluctance, and as the hall door closed behind them the word "traitresses!" was hissed from the bath room.

"Colonel Hammond," George said, "you have your choice of coming out of that bath room in a proper frame of mind and parading in your G. A. R. clothes or of remaining there for an hour or so while Gertrude and I are being married. In the latter event I shall open all the windows in this flat and bribe the janitor to turn off the heat."

The colonel rested his chin in his hand and looked thoughtfully at a sponge. In the rapid self analysis which followed he realized that he was brave enough to acknowledge defeat.

"What time is it?" he asked softly.

"Twenty-five minutes of 10."

"Open the door."

When the colonel's eyes rested on Page there was in them a trace of admiration.

"Sir," he said, "as a strategist you are wanted in the militia."

And he hurried to his bedroom and his blue uniform.

SHEEP TALK.

"Shepherd Boy" Visits the Indiana and Ohio Flockmasters.

Mr. Harris says he does not believe that rape is capable of doing what is sometimes claimed for it. There are those who claim rape to be an ideal feed for the fattening of sheep. Mr. Harris' experience is about the same as my own in regard to this matter. He does not countenance the idea that lambs can be successfully fattened on rape alone. I must admit I fully agree with him. My experience has been that lambs will fatten quicker on second growth clover and a small grain feed than they will on the best patch of rape and a larger amount of grain. While rape makes a good pasture for sheep, I have never considered it would alone satisfactorily fatten a lamb for market. While taking a ride in company with this gentleman one evening I saw that which aroused considerable curiosity within me. It was a small patch of sainfoin growing along the roadside. This is the first patch of this most useful plant I have seen growing wild since leaving the old sod. It was growing luxuriantly, mingling itself with the blue grass that was also found along the roadside. I believe that sainfoin would be a success in these regions. Every evidence is at hand to prove it would. This makes one of the finest and best sheep pastures known to the flockmaster. It is very fattening and will reproduce itself year by year.

Mr. Yeiser is a man of shrewd business sagacity, and his methods in sheep management are worthy of consideration. He is a great believer in rape and forage crops. He is a very careful feeder, and although he respects corn as a component part of the ration for fattening lambs for the market he has no use for it in the feeding of his stud flock. "No lamb will partake of too much of so good a thing as bran and oats. As soon as the pastures commence to dry I commence to give all my sheep a ration of bran and oats daily," says Mr. Yeiser.

Nothing, to Mr. Henry's mind, beats second crop clover and bran and oats as a weaning ration.

Mr. Watson informed me that he has no confidence in benzine as a remedy for the stomach worm. "I once gave a lamb about eight times the dose of benzine prescribed by the advocates of this remedy," said Mr. Watson, "but all to no purpose. I have the same opinion you express that no liquid can be given to a lamb that will dislodge the stomach worm for the reason that by the time it mixes with the juices of the stomach and reaches the habitat of the worm it is so weak as to be entirely useless."—Wool Markets and Sheep.

HONEY PACKAGES.

Experience That Leads to a Preference For Tin Cans.

Additional experience simply confirms us in the belief that extracted honey ought to be put into 60 pound tin cans rather than in wooden barrels. The editor of American Bee Journal. True, a tin can will occasionally burst and thus cause leaking. But when it does you can't lose more than 60 pounds out of one 60 pound can. Once seen over half a barrel of honey lost through leaking or from the head bursting out.

Yes, tin cans do cost more than barrels, but they are worth more and for several reasons. The honey in them

can be reliquified without digging it out and putting it into something else, as must be done with honey in a barrel. Honey in 60 pound cans is in better shape for the cash honey dealer to handle. It is a quantity that many a family feels it can afford to buy at one time. Other excellent reasons might be given.

It may do to put dark or cheap honeys into barrels, but the fine white extracted honeys, we think, ought always to be put into 60 pound tin cans. We believe the day will soon be here when such honeys will be required in tin cans and perhaps at a slight advance in price over that of the same grade in barrels.

New Dirt Turned Up In Autumn.

Deep planting for potatoes has almost invariably given better results at the Cornell station than shallow, but very deep planting should not follow shallow planting. The furrows opened to receive the seed should not go to the bottom of the soil that was stirred by the plow. If it is desired to plant six inches deep, the land should be plowed eight or ten inches deep.

Then, again, land that has never been plowed deeper than five or six inches should not the next time be plowed ten. The deepening process should be gradual—an inch or so a year. More "new dirt" may safely be turned up in autumn than in spring.

DRESS HINTS.

A woman is not well dressed if she has a hole in her stocking.

A blond may wear pure white with advantage, but the brunette nearly always looks better in cream colored fabrics.

To remove grease from cloth sponge it with a solution of salt in alcohol. The right proportion is one teaspoonful of salt to four of alcohol.

If an ecrû tinge be desired in lace, place powdered saffron in water and allow the lace to lie in it, increasing the strength until the desired tint is obtained.

A piece of inch wide white satin ribbon sewed inside the neckband of a bodice protects the throat from the defacing mark that is a common result of wearing high dress collars. Sew it in so that it will not show at all on the article.

Always iron coat collars and cuffs that are to have several rows of stitching round the edge before putting them in the machine and again after the stitching is done and put skirts into the band and see that they are the right length all round before finishing off the bottom hem.

How One Mother Managed.

"Why do you always dress your two daughters alike?" queried a society woman of a friend. "It must be a great deal of trouble, and, as they are not twins, it is not necessary."

"Well," answered the other quite frankly, "it is because of the effect. My girls are rather ordinary looking—not plain; in fact, rather pretty, I think, and with fairly good figures, but quite unnoticeable in their appearance. If one were in brown and the other in blue on the street, no one would ever give them a second glance, but dressed alike they look really distinguished."

"It is the same in a ballroom. When they go in together in pretty, fresh gowns, they accentuate each other, so to speak, and the simplest toilet becomes striking. A pink bow by itself is a pink bow and nothing else, but two pink bows become immediately an arrangement."

"You see that idea exemplified on the stage in a ballet. It is the repetition of dress that gives the effect. If the dancers were in different costumes, as you say, it is a bother to have everything to match, and when one frock is ruined that renders the other useless too. Still, I think it pays."—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Care of the Nails.

A young woman who has been living in Paris for a year says that no French manicure who treated her hands used a cuticle knife about her nails or a steel nail cleaner. The little orange wood sticks sharpened to a broad point were used to push back the encroaching cuticle and to clean the nails after each washing of the hands. In this way the delicate enamel of the nail is not injured and the under surface of the nail point is kept smooth. The French manicures, too, polish more often with a bit of camellia than with a regular polisher and cut the nails with a clipper instead of curved scissors. These clippers come in pairs, one for cutting the nails of each hand. An emery board or a velvet file is recommended for the little filing needed to shape the nails. Never cut the cuticle around the nail, but press back lightly with the orange wood stick. Daily brief care, when the nail is soft from the use of soap and water, is all that is needed to keep the hands in good condition, with a weekly manicuring. Use lemon juice instead of any other acid to remove stains.—Harper's Bazar.

Service Plates.

Service plates are put at each place and remain usually under whatever dish may be used for the preliminary courses until the first hot course. For example, the oyster or clam plate rests on the service plate, and when it is removed the bouillon or soup plate takes its place. With the hot fish course the waitress removes the service plate and substitutes the filled plate. She places the service plate on a side table. The plates should not be in a pile before the carver, but the waitress takes a hot plate from the side table or buffet and places it before the carver. One of the newest fads is to have service plates of silver or rare china, which are placed on the table at the beginning of the dinner and remain on until dessert. In case you possess some extra rare or pretty plates this is an excellent way to show them off. It is also a fad to have the service plates harmonize in color with the floral decorations.

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Swords and Scabbards In Society

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From "The Power of Truth," Published by Brentano's

It is the custom of grateful states and nations to present swords and tokens of highest honor to the victorious leaders of their armies and navies. The sword presented to Admiral Schley by the people of Philadelphia at the close of America's war with Spain cost over \$3,500, the greater part of which was spent on the jewels and decorations on the scabbard. A little more than half a century ago, when General Winfield Scott, for whom Admiral Schley was named, received a beautiful sword from the state of Louisiana, he was asked how it pleased him.

"It is a very fine sword, indeed," he said, "but there is one thing about it I would have preferred different—the inscription should be on the blade, not on the scabbard. The scabbard may be taken from us; the sword, never."

The world spends too much time, money and energy on the scabbard of life, too little on the sword. The scabbard represents outside show, vanity and display; the sword, intrinsic worth. The scabbard is ever the semblance, the sword the reality. The scabbard is the temporal; the sword is the eternal. The scabbard is the body; the sword is the soul. The scabbard typifies the material side of life; the sword the true, the spiritual, the ideal.

The man who does not dare follow his own convictions, but who lives in terror of what society will say, falling prostrate before the golden calf of public opinion, is living an empty life of mere show. He is sacrificing his individuality, his divine right to live his life in harmony with his own high ideals, to a cowardly, toadying fear of the world. He is not a voice with the strong note of individual purpose; he is but the thin echo of the voice of thousands. He is not brightening, sharpening and using the sword of his life in true warfare; he is lazily ornamenting a useless scabbard with the hieroglyphics of his folly.

The man who lives beyond his means, who mortgages his future for his present, who is generous before he is just, who is sacrificing everything to keep up with the procession of his superiors, is really losing much of life. He, too, is decorating the scabbard and letting the sword rust in its sheath.

Life is not a competition with others. In its truest sense it is rivalry with ourselves. We should each day seek to break the record of our yesterday. We should seek each day to live stronger, better, truer lives; each day to master some weakness of yesterday; each day to repair past follies; each day to surpass ourselves. And this is but progress. And individual, conscious progress, progress unending and unlimited, is the one great thing that differentiates man from all the other animals. Then we will care naught for the pretty, useless decorations of society's approval on the scabbard. For us it will be enough to know that the blade of our purpose is kept ever keen and sharp for the defense of right and truth, never to wrong the rights of others, but ever to right the wrongs of ourselves and those around us.

Reputation is what the world thinks a man is; character is what he really is. Any one can play shuttlecock with a man's reputation; his character is his alone. No one can injure his character but he himself. Character is the sword; reputation is the scabbard. Many men acquire insomnia in standing guard over their reputation, while their character gives them no concern. Often they make new dents in their character in their attempt to cut a deep, deceptive filigree on the scabbard of their reputation. Reputation is the shell a man discards when he leaves life for immortality. His character he takes with him.

The woman who spends thousands in charitable donations and is hard and uncharitable in her judgments, sentimentally sympathetic with human sin and weakness in the abstract, while she arrogates to herself omniscience in her harsh condemnation of individual lapses, is charitable only on the outside. She is letting her tongue out on the good work of her hand. She is too enthusiastic in decorating the scabbard of publicity to think of the sword of real love of humanity.

He who carries avarice to the point of becoming a miser, hoarding gold that is made useless to him because it does not fulfill its one function, circulation, and regarding the necessities of life as luxuries, is one of nature's jests that would be humorous were it not so serious. He is the most difficult animal to classify in the whole natural history of humanity—he has so many of the virtues. He is a striking example of ambition, economy, frugality, persistence, will power, self denial, loyalty to purpose and generosity to his heirs. These noble qualities he spoils in the application. His speciality is the scabbard of life. He spends his days in making a solid gold scabbard for the tin sword of a wasted existence.

The shoddy airs and ostentations, extravagance and prodigality of some who have suddenly become rich is gold plating the scabbard without improving the blade. The superficial veneer of refinement really accentuates the native vulgarity. The more you polish woodwork the more you reveal the grain. Some of the sudden legacies of

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